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OF

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PREFATORY NOTE.

This volume contains the Proceedings of the President and Council of Fort St. George for the year 1700, comprised in the twenty-ninth volume of the series "Diary and Consultation Books." The original volume is in a fair state of preservation.

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RECORDS OF FORT ST. GEORGE.

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[*From January 2 to December 31, 1700.*]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1699-1700*——

The Consultation and Diary Book of Thomas Pitt Esqr: President & Governour &c^{a}: Councill their Proceedings & Transaction in the Affairs of the R^{t}: Honble: English East India Company in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell &c^{a}: Begun the $\mathfrak{P}^{mo}$: January 1699-1700.

Received Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour &c^{a}: Councill at Fort S^{t}: David dated 30th: Ult^{o}: past, incloseing a Petition from Rowland Wilson to the Honble: President &c^{a}: Councill, representing his being sent out Serjan[t] by the Company on the Nassaw, but detain'd by the Supra-cargoes of said Ship as their Linguist for Emoy in China, and after effecting their Business that he embarkt for Malacca, thence to Acheen and so to Fort S^{t}: David, where he now remains. hee further adds, that promise was made him by some of the Comittee, that upon his arrivall here, he should have an Ensigns Comission, which by his Petition he now requests. 2

Therewith came Generall Letters from Messrs: Rawdon and Brewster Supra-cargoes of Ship Nassaw at Emoy dated $\mathfrak{P}^{mo}$: January 169$\frac{8}{9}$ and from Capt: James Minty dated 29th: Dec^{r}: 1698 recomending said Rowland Wilson for his good service as the Linguist at Emoy.

ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY 3

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

Order'd that Pag^{s}: 1577 : 15 : 1 be paid, being for the following Bills drawn by the Deputy Govr: & Councill of York Fort Viz^{t}: — Bills drawn from York Fort, Ordered to be paid.

To Henry Harnett dated 20th: Aug^{t}: 1698 for Doll:					109:	2: 1	P: 64:	17: 2
William Proby ...	30	...	...	...	250:		„ 147:	2: 1
Thomas Harris ...	3	Sep^{r}:	...	...	175:		„ 102:	33: 5
Henry Harnett ...	...	...	...	...	250:		„ 147:	2: ...
Simon Kilpatrick ...	17	...	...	...	97:		„ 57:	2: 1
Daniel Chardin and Sarah Blackwall.	27	Dec^{r}:	...	...	300:		„ 176:	17: ...
Thomas Harris ...	13	Febry:	169$\frac{8}{9}$	...	800:		„ 470:	21: 1
William Hatsell Esqr:	...	...	...	...	400:		„ 235:	10: 3
William Proby ...	20	...	...	...	300:		„ 176:	17: ...
					Doll^{s}: 2681:	2: 1	Pa: 1577:	15: 1

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Portuguez Soldier discharg'd.

Order'd that John Mountera Portuguez Soldier bee discharg'd this Garrison at his request.

Pags: 1000 order'd ye: Paymr: to defray charges.

Order'd that Pags: one thousand be paid Mr: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

At Metchlepm: to draw Bills, not exceeding 5000 Pags:

Upon Debate, It is resolved by Majority, that wee write a Generall Letter to Metchlepatam, Empowering Messrs: Lovell &cs: to draw Bills on us, not exceeding Five thousand Pags: to enable their compleating what Goods they have already Contracted for, and carrying on the Rt: Honr: Companys business.

Sea custom accots: for Mo: November read &

Mr: Thomas Wright Sea Customer read his accot: Sea-Customs for month November last, particulars Vizt:

To Custom on Goods Exported and Imported this month.	Pags:	1031:	6: 5
To Custom on Grain ... ... „		41:	17: 4
	Pags:	1072:	24: 3

Pags: 1382: 13 pd: on that accot: Pags: 1000 for fanams coin'd pd: Rt: H: Comps: cash

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: 1382: 13 on that account.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated 30th: Decemr: last, read.

The President pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Pags: one thousand for Fanams coin'd in the Mint to that amount.

Mr: Hunt to be allow'd 100 Pas: ₱ ann: & why. with 30 Pas: for Palankeen hire.

Order'd that Pags: one hundred be allow'd Mr: Richd: Hunt annually for his Pains in the management of the Tobacco business and Thirty Pags: for Palankeen hire, his attendance att the Petta's and out Vilages being required.

Pags: 500 advanc'd for buying Tobacco.

Order'd that Pags: five hunder'd be advanc'd to Mr: Richard Hunt to buy Tobacco for sale by retail accot: the Rt: Honble: Company.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMs: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

5 Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Deputy Governour &cs: Councill at Fort St: David and to Messrs: Lovell &cs: ffactors at Metchlepatam both dated the 3d: Instant.

Ship St: Caietan John de Mark Noqueda arrived from Manilha & Acheen.

MONDAY 8TH. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL.

Europeans entertain'd in ye: Gunroom.

Order'd that Peter Jero and Adrian Barron bee entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Rt H: Comps: cash for Mo: Decr: read.

The President read his accot: of the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash for the month December, the Ballance being Pags: 3853: 30: 4.

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Mr: John Meverell Land Customer read his accots: for the month November last, particulars Vizt: Land custom accot: for Mo: Novr: read &

Choultry Custom	Pags:	290:	27: 55
Trivlecane Custom	„	...:	1: 50
Rubie Brokers	„	29:	25: 25
Cloth Brokers	„	...:	26: 30
Registring Slave	„	...:	8: ...
Town rents	„	6:	35: 78
Confiscation	„	5:	... ...
	Pags:	333:	16: 78

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Pags: Four hundred seventy eight on that account. Pags: 478 pd: on yt: account.

Order'd that Pags: 1036: 27 be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall, being both Principal and Intrest due on a Bond dated 11th: August 1699. Bill at Intrest order'd to be paid.

To prevent abuses at the Sea-Custom house in the weighing and measureing Duty It is agreed an Englishman be employed for that purpose, and Thomas Way being esteem'd a fitt person, that he be allowed five Pags: ℔ mensem, to commence the ℔mo: Instant, and from that time, all Revenues to pay Servants wages &cs: charges on the particular Branches. An Englishman entertain'd weigher & measurer at the Sea Custom house.

Mr: Foquet reporting that great murmuring is made by demanding Quit rent of the Gunroom Crew, which amounting to no more then 12 or 14 Pags: annually, Order'd it be remitted them in consideration that the Souldiers are excused. The Gunroom crew excus'd paying Qoit rent.

The Ganjee leafs being included in the Cowle deliver'd the Tobacco farmers last year under the same limitation with the Tobacco, and by them let to Rent for 40 or 50 Pags: ℔ annum, and Mr: Hunt reporting he is offer'd Pags: one hundred & Ten for the Ganjee only, and that they cannot be persuaded to give more, which being so considerable an advance and judg'd by us not worth the Comps: Managery, It is resolved a Cowle be drawn for one year to be paid quarterly into the Rt: H: Comps: cash. The Ganjee to be rented for 110 Pags:

Mr: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager read his accot: of Tobacco sold from the 21st: December last to the 31st: do: amounting to Pags: 222: 22: 15. Tobacco Manager his accots: read.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis: Ellis.
Ro: Braddyll.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

9 TH Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 6th: Instant.

10 Ship Fleetwood Richard Rose Master arrived from Vizagapatam, by which received Generall Letters from the Cheif &cs: Councill dated the 20th: & 21st: Decr: last, with their Diary commencing ℔mo: Novr: & ending the 30th: December last.

THURSDAY 11 Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President and Governour
Francis Ellis — Roger Braddyll
Thomas Wright — Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall — John Meverell.

Generall Letter to Fort St: David of this date read & signed and Genl: Letters from Vizagapatam dated 20th: & 21st: December last, also from Fort St: David of the 6th: Instant, all read. Genl: Letters sent & rod: read.

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Mint Accots: for four months ending Decr: 1699 read.

The President read his Mint acct: for the months of September, October, November & December last, Vizt:

Sepr: To Custom of Gold & Silver coin'd ...	Pa:	62: 21: —	Rs. 196: 6:—
Octr: To Custom of Gold coin'd	„	109: 19: —	
Novr: To Custom of Gold and Silver coin'd	„	43: 5: 40:	629: 11:—
Decr: To Custom of Gold coin'd	„	25: 22: —	
Pags:	240: 31: 40	Rs: 826: 1	

the Ballance of December being Pags: 240: 31: 40 and Rupees 2865: 2.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Ro: Braddyll.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort St: David of this Date incloseing Invoice of Sundrys sent ℔ Country Boat amounting to Pags: 155: 1: 4.

Received Generall Letter from Mr: Samuel Woolston at Maddapollam dated 25th: December 1699.

12 Deliver'd Pass to Ship Ann burthen 80 Ton William Stock Master bound on a Trading Voyage to Persia.

13 Said Ship saild bound for Persia.

MONDAY 15

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President and Governour

Francis Ellis	Roger Braddyll
Thomas Wright	Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall	John Meverell.

Genl: Letters &ca: received, read.

Generall Letter from Messrs: Lovell &ca: at Metchlepm: dated the 2d: Instant, with copy of a Paper to Mr: Lovell (as enter'd after this Consultation) from Sr: William Norris Barrt: the new Comps: Embassador to the Mogull, read.

Salary payable in England Petition'd by yet widow of Mr. ffield &ca: to be represented home. The accot: to draw out ye: same &ca: Mr: Fields Credit in Indrapore books to be paid.

Mrs: Lucie Poireir having by her Petition, requested that her Deceased husbands Vizt: Mr: John ffield and George Crokes salary payable in England may be represented home to the Rt: Honble: Company.

Order'd that the Accomptant draw out Mr: ffields Accot: and that wee write to Bengall to draw Mr: Crokes acct: he dying there.

Also that Pags: 101: 6: 2 be paid said Lucie Poireir, being for one hundred seventy two Dollars, the Ball: & amount of Mr: Fields outcry paid into the Rt: Honble: Companys cash at Indrapore on the Wt: Coast as appears in the Generall Books of that Place.

No will of Mr: Rt: Darley decd: being found, the Admty: Court to take care of his Effects.

Mr: Wright and Mr: Empson report, that they having (with Mr: John Styleman) perused Mr: Richd: Darley deceas'd his Papers, finds no will. Its Agreed by Majority that the Court of Admiralty take care of his Effects brought ℔ Ship Ann from Bencoolen.

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The warehousekeeper delivers in a report made by himself and Mr: Wright of the Flint ware &ca: brought ℔ Ship Ann from the West Coast. Also of the weight of two Chests Corrall received from the Rt: Honr: Company ℔ Ship Scepter as entar'd after this Consultation.

Warehousekeeper &ca: delivor their report of Flint ware &ca:

Order'd that Pags: one thousand be paid Mr: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Pags: 1000 to be paid ye: Paymr: to defray charges.

Mr: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager, pays into the Rt: Honble: Company's Cash Two hundred Twenty two Pags: on accot: Tobacco sold.

Tobacco manager pays 222 pa: on yt: accot.

Serapa &ca: Joint Stock Merchants makeing complaint, that the Investment is impeded for want of money to Employ the Weavors.

Joint Stock wanting money.

Order'd that the remainder due on the Contract dated the 14th: April 1699 be paid them.

the remainder du: on their last contract to be paid them.

Order'd that the Broken Flint ware & damaged Looking Glasses sent from the West Coast ℔ Ship Ann be sold at Publick outcry.

The Broken Flint ware &ca: to be sold at outcry.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

By His Excellency Sr: Wm: Norris Barnt: his Mags: Embassadour Extraordinary to the Great Mogull &ca:

This is to Require and Comand you, not to presume to make any Address or Applycation either in your own person or by any other, directly or indirectly to Any publick Minister or Officer of the great Mogull without my knowledge and permission, as you will answer the contrary at your perill. Given at Metchlepatam Decemr: 26th: 1699.

New Comps: Embassador paper to Thos as Lovell at Metchlepm:

WILLIAM NORRIS.

To Mr: Thomas Lovell Agent or Factor for the Company of Merchants of London trading to the East Indies at Metchlepm:

A Report of the Condition of three Chests Flint ware No: 1, 2, 3 and of one chest Looking Glasses No: 11 received from Work Fort ℔ Ship Ann Capt: Harnet Comander. Also of the weight of two chests Corrall received from London ℔ Ship Scepter Capt: Phenny Comander Accot: the Rt: Honble: Company, Viz:

Warehousekeeper &c: report of damaged flint ware &ca:

	lb.	oz.
3 Chests Flint ware Invoiced for Ps: 853 Poiz.	585:	9
found to contain whole Ps: 561 Pz:	lb. 339:	3
Broken ... ... „	„ 206:	13
	546:	—
Wanting ...	lb. 39:	9

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One Chest Looking Glasses No. 11 qt: ℔ Invo: 4 boxes No: 4, 5, 6, 7.
No. 4 qt: 4 glasses each 20 Inches cost £ 6: — all damaged.
„ 5 qt: 4 ditto 25 . . . „ 10: 12: spotted.
„ 6 qt: 2 } . . . . 30 . . . }
1 } . . . . 32 . . . } £ 16: 1:—spotted.
3 . . . . . .
No. 7 qt: 2 Glasses each 32 Inches.
1 33
3 . . . . . £ 20: —: 6 all broken.

14 Glasses £ 52: 13: 6

lbs.
Chest Corrall No: 2 Poiz 452

No: 3 Poiz. 417½ over 5 lbs.
Invoiced for . . . „ 423 wants : 5½
Invoiced for „ 447

wanting in the 2 Chests half a pound.
℔ Order of Consultation.
Roger Braddyll.
Thomas Wright.

Finding Chest No. 1 to come short, the above two Chests were suspected, and the more, because the one was Tared at 207 lbs. & weighed but one hundred sixty three, the other at 204 and weighed but one hundred sixty seven and an half.

Chest No. 1 was opened ℔ us the Subscribers & was found to ... Poiz. 458 lbs.
Invoiced for ... „ 465

Wanting ... 7
Wanting in Chests No. 2 & 3 ... ½

Wanting in 3 Chests ... lbs. 7½ :

One Box No. 4 pollished Corrall ℔ Ship Scepter—
Invoiced for Ounces ... 259
Poized but 258

Wanting. ... ... oz. 1

No. 5 Rough d°: Knobs & Ps: Invoiced for ... ... 23[52] os
Poiz. but ... ... 23[40]

Wanting oz. ... ... [12]

Roger Braddyll.
William B[ull.]

17 Yesterday the Governour and Councill mett to peruse the following Letters Vizt: to Mr: Thomas Lovell &c: ffactors at Metchlepatam. To Sr: William Norris Barrt: Embassador to the great Mogull. The Presidents Letters to Meddo Cawn Beague Nabob of the Gingerlee Coast & to the Governour of Metchlepatam, which with Generall Letter to the Cheif &c: Councill of Vizagapatam all dated the 16th: Instant, were Dispatched this day.

Genl: Letter to the new Comps: Embassador. To His Excellr: Sr: William Norris Barrt:
Embassador to the Great Mogull att
Metchlepatam.

Sr:

Wee having been inform'd by Mr: Thomas Lovell our Companys ffactor at Metchlepatam, that upon the approaching of the new Nabob, who is come to govern that Country, you sent for him, and deliver'd him a Paper, requireing and commanding him in a most extraordinary manner, not to make any applycation

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to any of the Mogulls officers (for the better carrying on our affairs) without your leave & Permission, threatning to do no less then send him home in Irons, from which wee imagine you resolve the utter ruin of our Company, hopeing thereby to promote the Intrest of your Employers, the new East India Company.

Wee having no orders or Instructions to govern ourselves in this matter but the Act of Parliament, which in peruseing wee find, that there is five ℘Cent laid on all Goods for the maintaining Embassadors & Consuls, from which our Company is excepted till September 1701: which Embassadors & Consuls are to be nominated and Elected by the Directors of the new Company and sent to such Emperor or Prince in these parts as they please, and they to pay the charge out of the five ℘ Cent, and the remainder to be divided amongst the adventure[r]s, and in a subsequent clause 'tis said, that nothing in this Act shall be constru'd to extend, to hinder or restrain our Comp^{s}: trade till the 29th: September 1701, so that they being excused from contributing to the charge of Embassad^{rs}:, Consuls &c^{a}: certainly 'twas never intended that their affairs in these parts should be subject^{d}: to the Direction or controul of the new Comp^{s}: Embassad^{rs}: Consuls or Agents dureing their limitted time, wee being possest as the rightfull and Lawfull Proprietors of all Phirmaunds and Grants necessary for supporting the Trade, which has been procur'd at vast expences, and without corresponding with the Government, 'tis impossible to support our priviledges or Trade.

S^{r}: Wee think your proceedings not only Destructive to our Masters at Present, but will also prove fatal hereafter, if not intail a perpetual ruin on the trade. To prevent the Mischeifs that may attend us, and preserve the Intrest for which wee are concern'd, wee must acquaint you, that wee resolve to persist in corresponding with the Government as formerly, for the carrying on our Trade dureing the time limitted by Parliam^{t}: and order all our Companys Cheifs and ffactors under this Presidency to do the same, untill his Majesty Comands the contrary, or that wee receive orders from our Company.

As for the Injuries you have already done [our] Company and others of the Kings Subjects, by embargoing their Ships (who traded here under their protection) wee doubt not but that they will repre[sent] it in such places where they may find a remedy and Justice. In confirmation whereof, wee have hereunto sett our hands and the Seal of our Company at Fort S^{t}: George in the city of Madrass this 16th: day of January 1$\frac{699}{700}$.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 18

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS MATTHEW EMPSON
ROGER BRADDYLL JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duely sum̃ond.

A Cowle (as entred after this Consultation) for the Ganjee, granted to Mar Chittee and Mandala Paupa for one year, commenceing this day, read & signed. Cowle for one year granted for the Ganjee only.

M^{r}: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper delivers in his warehouse Account for the months of November & December last. Warehouse Acco^{ts}: for Novr: & Decr: deliver'd in.

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Warehouse-keeper not to sell for more then 17 Doll: ℔ 10 Pags:

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper sell Silver not exceeding seventeen Dollars for Tenn Pagoda's.

Europeans discharged & Entertain'd.

Order'd that Jacob Figg a Trumpeter be Discharg'd he desireing it, and Charles Alleyn be entertain'd in the Gunroom.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ganjee Cowle for one year.

A Cowle Granted by Thomas Pitt Esqr: President and Governour of Fort St: George &cn: Councill, to MarChittee & Mandala Paupa Ganjee ffarmers.

1ST. You the aforementioned ffarmers of the Ganjee shall have full power (exclusive of all others) to supply the Shopkeepers and retailers of the City of Madrass and Liberties thereof with Ganjee at such rates as is accustomary and as good as it used to be.

2. All such that are found to sell by retail without Licence first obtain'd from the said ffarmers, shall for every ffanams worth so bought or sold (excepting strangers, who shall be excused for the first offence only) forfeit one Pagoda to be paid in the Choultry, whereof one third part allowed the informer.

3. You the above named ffarmers are not to sell Ganjee at any time of the year dearer then the Justices of the Choultry shall think fitt and if you offend therein after the third fault, you shall be liable to such fine and punishment as the Govr: & Councill shall appoint.

4. All Merchants that bring Ganjee into this City or the liberties thereof paying their Custom, may freely sell to any person or purposes whatsoever to be transported to other parts or places, but not to be retailed in this City or the liberties thereof, except they sell it to the aforesaid ffarmers.

5. The said Mar Chittee &ca: ffarmers shall have leave to keep watch on the warehouses where other Merchants Ganjee shall be Lodged, to see that none of it be disposed off but for Transportation to other parts only.

6. They may also require of the Seller a knowledge, whether it be sold and to whom, who is obliged to render an Accot: when required, to avoid all disputes or have his Goods stopped by the said ffarmers.

7. And the said Mar Chittee &ca: are appointed the sole Brokers for buying and selling of Ganjee, hereby forbidding all others to intermeddle therewith.

8. Upon these terms, this Cowle is granted for one year, commenceing this Eighteenth day of January $1\frac{699}{700}$ You paying to the Rt: H: Compa: Twenty Seven Pagodas and Eighteen fanams every three months from the Date hereof.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

20 By a Country Boat sent Duplicates of our Genl: Letters to Mr: Lovell &ca: ffactors, and to Sr: Wm: Norris Baront: Embassador to the great Mogull at Metchlepatam.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 22

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

Fort St: David bill for 1,500 Pags: order'd to be paid.

Ordered that Pag^{s}: One thousand five hundred be paid Senr: Mattheus Carvalho de Silva, being for one Bill dated the 17th: Instant drawn by the Govern^{r}: & Councill of Fort S^{t}: David.

Dollars not exceeding 17½ for ten Pags: to be sold. To sell Lead not for less then 6½ Pas: ℔Candy.

None offering to Buy at 17 Dollars for Tenn Pagodas, and being in necessity for ready Cash Ordered that the warehousekeeper sell not exceeding seventeen & one eighth, and Lead by Outcry not for less then Pag^{s}: Six & eighteen fanams ℔ Candy, having a large quantity by us.

Wages due to Capt: Delgardno requested. The examination refer'd to another oppertunity.

M^{rs}: Ann Delgarno presenting a Petition, requesting that what wages due to her husband may be paid, was read which with copy of a Narrative of his sufferings at the West Coast, is referr'd to further consideration.

Sea Custom Accot^{s}: for m^{o}: Decr: read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Sea-Customer read his Acco^{t}: Sea-Custom for the month December last, particulars Viz^{t}:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	Pag^{s}:	66: 12:—
To Custom on Grain	„	571: 31: 4
To Salvage	„	216: 12: 3
To Rents & Revenues for Sundrys Sold ℔ Order, the Owners being unknown	„	12: 34:—
	Pag^{s}:	867: 18: 1

Limitted price to sell Broad Cloth fine &c^{a}:

Ordered that Broad Cloth fine Invoiced 10^{s}: ℔ yard be sold by Outcry not under 30 pag^{s}: ℔ Peice, and the rest pro rato:

Consultation &c^{a}: books to end the ulto: Decr: 1699.

Ordered that the Consultation Book and Book of Letters sent and Received do end the ultimo December 1699 and Copys thereof be sent home to the R^{t}: Honble: Company by Ship Benjamin.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

23 This morning Ship Fleetwood Richard Rose Master saild for Vizagapatam, by whom sent Duplicates of our Generall Letters to the Cheif &c^{a}: Councill dated the 16th: instant, with the Presidents Letter to Nabob Meddo Cawn Beague, its translate and translate of the Letter to the Governour of Metchlepatam. Also Generall Letter of yesterdays date, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading of Sundry particulars for Presents sent on ditto Ship amounting to Pag^{s}: 143: 24: 5.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 18th: Instant accompanying another Pacquet as ℔ List from N°. 1 to 12 relating to the restoration

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of Padre Paulo de Saa in his Priestly function at the Churches of Cuddalore & Tevenapatam and removeall of Padre Gulielmo de la Valle from exerciseing there.

25 Ship Boanee Shankarah, Beriah Tandell Saild for Topatore.

Thursday dº : Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Roger Braddyll
Thomas Wright — Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall.

Fort Stᵗ : David bill for 252 pagˢ: ord-er'd to be paid & Tryamong bill for 1000 Dollars.

Ordered that Pagˢ : Two hundred fifty two be paid the President, being for one Bill dated the 17th : Instant drawn by the Governr : & Councill of Fort Stᵗ : David. Also Pagˢ : 588 : 8 : 3 be paid Dorothy Phrip, being for one Bill dated 2d : Janry : 169⅝ for one thousand Dollars drawn by the Cheif & Councill of Tryamong as ℔ their Letter of ditto Date.

Paymasters accoᵗˢ : for Novr : & Decr : mont hs read.

General Letter from Fort Stᵗ : David dated the 18th : Instant, read.

Mr : Matthew Empson Paymaster read his Accoᵗ : Disbursements for the months of Novemr : & December last, particulars Vizt :

Novr :	Charges Garrison	Pa :	1,092 : [7]
	Charges Diet	„	235 : 15
	Charges Generall	„	415 : 11
	Charges Merchandize	„	102 : 10
	Charges Cattle	„	25 : 12
	Charges Extraordinary	„	9 : 19
	Fort Stᵗ : David	„	— : 30
	Fortifications & Repairs	„	29 : 13
		Pags :	1,910 : 9
Decr :	Charges Garrison	Pa :	1,117 : 6
	Charges Diet	„	371 : 12
	Fort Stᵗ : David	„	— : 30
	Charges Generall	„	375 : 5
	Charges Cattle	„	16 : 15
	Charges Merchandize	„	100 : —
	Charges Extraordinary	„	55 : 35
	Accoᵗ : Presents	„	2 : 35
	Factors Provisions	„	5 : 32
	Fortifications & Repairs	„	43 : 2
		Pagˢ :	2,088 : 28

Warehouse-keeper pays 5,000 pagˢ : on accoᵗ : silver sold.

Mr : Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the Rt : Honble : Companys Cash Pagˢ : Five thousand on Accoᵗ : Silver sold.

Tho : Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Ro : Braddyll.
Tho : Wright.
M : Empson.
Thomˢ : Marshall.
John Meverell.

25 A Ship with French Colours past this road from Bengall, bound to Policherry.

27 Sloop Sᵗ : Antonio Peter Eyes Master arrived from Vizagapatam.

Deliver'd a Pass to Parr Bone Success, Francisco Coelho Master & Owner bound to Polícat &cª : places on the coast of Choromandell.

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Sloop S^{t}: Antonio Peter Eyes Master Saild in the night for Fort S^{t}: David.

Dispatched Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of yesterdays Date. 28

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 29

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL.

M^{r}: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: cash Five thousand Seven hundred Pag^{s}: on acco^{t}: Silver sold. Warehousekeeper pays 5,700 pag^{s}: on Acco^{t}: Silver sold.

Ordered that one thousand Pag^{s}: be paid M^{r}: Matthew Empson Paymaster to Defray charges Garrison, and one hundered Pag^{s}: to Paulo &c^{a}: Washers for cureing the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cloth. Pag^{s}: 1000 order'd the Paymaster to defray charges.

M^{r}: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco^{t}: Land Customs for the month December last, particulars Viz^{t}: Land Custom acco^{ts}: for m^{o}: Deo^{r}: read &

Choultry Custom	Pag$_{s}$:	345:26:40
Trivlecane Custom	„	— 3:40
Rubie Brokers	„	47: 8:[50]
Cloth Brokers	„	3: 8:25
Registring Slave	„	—: 8:—
	Pag^{s}:	396:18:75

and pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Companys Cash Pag^{s}: Three hundred ninety seven on that acco^{t}: Pag^{s}: 397 paid inon that acco^{t}:

Peter de Pomera &c^{a}: Arrac ffarmers pay into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s}: Two hundred & fifty on that Acco^{t}: for one month ending the 14th: Instant. Arrac farmers pay in 250 pag^{s}: on that acco^{t}.

John Matthews Souldier being permitted to come on Ship Ann from the West Coast for the better cure of his Legg, no Doctor being then on the Place. Order'd that what wages due dureing his passage hither, be paid him by y^{e}: Paymaster. Soldier from the W^{t}: Coast to be allow'd wages dureing his passage thence.

Resolved, a Tryall be made of the Corrall by Outcry that wee may see the utmost what is offer'd, and then to consider the Disposeall. Tryall for the Sale of Corrall by Outcry.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
RO: BRADDYLL. JOHN MEVERELL.
THO: WRIGHT.

Ship Narsingum Gruia Tandell arrived from Ganjam. 30TH
Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated 29th: past. February ꝑmo

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY ꝑmo.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

M^{r}: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Companys Cash Pag^{s}: Eleven hundred on Acco^{t}: silver sold. Warehousekeeper pays in 1,100 pag^{s}: on Acco^{ts}: Silver sold.

[1st]

——FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699–1700——

The Presidents accoᵗ: of Comps: Cash & Secrys: Accoᵗ: Passes for mo: Janry: read.

The President read his Accoᵗ: of the Rᵗ: H: Compˢ: cash for the month January last, the Ballance being Pagˢ: 25: 1: 3 and Charles Bugden Secretary his Accoᵗ: Passes for ditto month amoᵗ: Pagˢ: Seven, and pays into the Rᵗ: Honʳ: Compˢ: Cash Pagˢ: 4: 24.

Pags. 880 pd: in accot: Sea Custom's. Not to Stay for Genl: books of subordinate ffactorys but to finish ye: books of this place. Town Conicopley's Duty order'd to be paid.

Mʳ: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the Rᵗ: Honʳ: Compˢ: Cash Pagˢ: Eight hundred & Eighty on that account.

Having thus long staid in expectation of the Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam Generall books, which being not yet come, Resolved that ours be forthwith clos'd, and copys thereof remitted the Rᵗ: Honᵇˡᵉ: Compᵃ: by Ship Benjamin.

Ordered that Pagˢ: Twenty five be paid Wotta Ling[a] Town Conicopley for three mo: ending the Ultº: Janʳʸ: last.

Tho: Pitt.	M: Empson.
ffrancis Ellis.	Thomˢ: Marshall.
Ro: Braddyll.	John Meverell.
Tho: Wright.	

3 Last night Ship Benjamin John Brown Comandʳ: arrived from Metchlepatam [on] whom Mʳ: Thomas Lovell took his passage and brought a Generall Lre from himself &cᵃ: ffactors at Metchlepatam, and the Captain comeing on shore this morning brought the Pacquets from Bengall and Vizagapatam containing Papers as ℘ their Lists inclosed.

Saturday dº:

Att a Consultation *Extraordinary*

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour

Francis Ellis	Roger Braddyll
Thomas Wright	Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall	John Meverell

Genl: Letters received, read.

Generall Letters from Anthony Testard on board Ship Benjamin in Pipley road dated 19th: December last, from Metchlepatam dated 30th: January last, from Vizagapatam dated 8th: January last, from Bengall dated 12th: December last, all read.

Paymaster pays in Pags: 472: 8: 4 for wch: bills to be given him on ye: Company.

Mʳ: Matthew Empson Paymaster pays into the Rᵗ: Honᵇˡᵉ: Companys Cash Pagˢ: 472: 8: 4 being further part of the Estate of Mʳ: Batson Pearson Deceased. Order'd that Bills be given him by us on the Company payable to his relations in England.

Nathl: Higginson pays ye: Ballance of his Mint Accoᵗˢ.

Nathaniel Higginson Esqʳ: pays into the Rᵗ: Honᵇˡᵉ: Companys Cash nineteen fanams and Five Cash, as the Ballance of his Mint account.

Ship Benjamin from Bengall to be unladen, and bale Goods to be continued on board.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper immediately send off Boats to unlade all the Packing Stuff, Match and Rice on Ship Benjamin from Bengall, and to continue the 1,100 bags Salt-petre being her Charterparty Kintelage: also the Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam bales, except three of Stript Betteelas brown from Vizagapatam to be wash'd and that the following Bales be sent for on shore to be View'd Vizᵗ:

	Vizagapatam.	
LCO	No. 4: 5: 6	Bales 3
SALO	„ 3: 4: 5	„ 3
SCO	„ 1: 2: 3	„ 3
SB	„ 1: 2: 3	„ 3
		Bales ... 12

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Metchlepatam.

LFC.	Longcloth fine	No. 1 : 2 : 3	Bales	3
GS.	Gingham Sheets	„ 1 ...	„	1
BP.	Book Percolla's	„ 1 .	„	1
CH.	Chints Ordinary	„ 1 ...	„	1
SALF.	Salampores fine	„ 1 ...	„	1
IZ.	Izaries	„ 4 ...	„	1
OB.	Oringall Betteela's	„ 1 ...	„	1
GB.	Gulcondah Betteela's	„ 8 : 8 +	„	2
R.	Romalls Saturgunties	„ 21 ...	„	1
CFH.	Chints fine	„ 45 ...	„	1
SFP.	Salpieada's flower'd	„ 15 ...	„	1
A.	Alajars	„ 1 ...	„	1
CP.	Colloway poo's	„ 1 ...	„	1
SD.	Sadderuncheres	„ 1 . .	„	1
CB.	Chints Brampore	„ 1 ...	„	1
DBP.	Diapers large	„ 4 ...	„	1
DSP.	Ditto Small	„ 2 ...	„	1
SPP.	Salpieadas plain	„ 15 ...	„	1
			Bales ...	1

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received [Du]plicate of Fort S^{t}: David General Letter dated the 2^{d}: and 3^{d}: instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for two hundred bales Ship on Sloop S^{t}: Antonio, Peter Eyes master amount to Pag^{s}: 23,184: 29. 6TH

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Metchlepatam of this Date with Invoice of Sundrys for Presents sent on a Boat amount to Pag^{s}: 151: 35: 5. 7

ATT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY D^{o}:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

The Cash being very low, and having severall Bills lately drawn on us and Bonds at Interest for considerable Sums, and M^{rs}: Dorothy Phrip having indors'd to M^{r}: Thomas Wright the Tryamong Bill for Pag^{s}: 583: 8: 3 (his receipt being taken) Order'd that a Bond be given him for the same. Money taken up at Intrest & why.

Generall Letters from Fort S^{t}. David dated the 29th: January 2^{d}: & 3^{d}: ffebruary last, read. Letters received, read.

Thomas Davis Soldier having Serv'd his covenanted time and requesting leave to go for England on Ship Benjamin It is accordingly granted him. Soldier hath liberty to go for England at his request

Ordered that Pag^{s}: one hundred & fifty be paid Thomas Harris being for one Bill drawn by the Governour and Councill of Fort S^{t}: David dated the 29th: January last. Fort St David bill for 150 pag^{s}: or-der'd to be paid.

Order'd that Robert Saltmash be Discharg'd from the Gunroom at his request, and that John Richardson be Entertain'd. Europeans Discharg'd and entertain'd the gunroom.

[7TH]

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Freight reed: by Capt: Brown disallow'd.

The Agent &c^{a}: Councill having remitted us a List of Goods and Treasure sent hence to Bengall ℔ Ship Benjamin, whereof Capt: Brown claim's as his right to receive, which being refer'd to us It is Agreed he be not allow'd it, but that hee reimburse the same, being Sixty two Rupees.

Board table at Fort St: David disapproov'd & a Genl: table order'd to be kept.

Having had credible information that it gives a generall Dislike to the Companys Servant [s] being put to Board Table at Fort S^{t}: David, To prevent the inconveniencies that may attend it, It is resolved wee write them, that a Generall Table be continued there, the Deputy Govr: and Councill appointing a Discreate and frugall Steward.

Two Portuguez Soldiers from Wt: Coast to be allow'd pay dureing their passage hither. Pags: 36: 9 for Goods on ffreight from Wt: Coast ℔ Ship Ann order'd to be paid.

Two Portuguez Soldiers come by Ship Ann from the West-Coast, having requested pay dureing their Passage, Order'd that the Paymaster satisfies them.

Capt: Harnett delivering us an acco^{t}: of Goods sent on ffreight from the West-Coast ℔ Ship Ann amounting to Pag^{s}: 36: 9, Order'd that the same be paid by the Warehousekeeper.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO. BRADDYLL
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

9TH

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 5th: Instant with their Pacquet to the R^{t}: Honble: Company to be sent ℔ Ship Benjamin under a flying Seal, and copy of their Ledger letter I.

FRIDAY D^{o}:

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Mr: Wm: Soame his Expences on the Comp^{s}: Pagoar delivd: in & given the Accompts: for examination.

Nathaniel Higginson Esqr: delivers in an acco^{t}: of M^{r}: William Soame his Expences Pagering & building on the Companys compound in Acheen dureing his residence there, whereby appears due to the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Company on Ballance Tale 6^{m}: 7 of the one hundred Tale deliver'd him by M^{r}: Enoch Walsh &c^{a}: for that purpose. Said acco^{t}: is order'd to be deliver'd the Accomptant to Examine and hee to make his report thereof.

Fort St: David bill for 36: 4 pags: order'd to be paid.

Ordered that Three thousand six hundred fifty four Pag^{s}: be paid Thomas Pitt President, being for one Bill drawn by the Govr: & Councill of Fort S^{t}: David dated the 5th: Instant.

Nathl: Higginson Esqr: requests leave to go for England wch: is granted.

Nathaniel Higginson Esqr: delivers in a Paper (as entered next after this Consultation) requesting our Order to the Commander of Ship Benjamin, to receive him and ffamily with necessarys on board for England, and to afford him such Privilege in accommodation and Tonnage as the R^{t}: Honble: Company allow to their returning Servants.

It is Resolved that an Order be given the Com^{r}: for receiveing him and ffamily aboard with his necessarys, and to allow him the accomodation of the great

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Cabbin : and the Warehousekeeper do give orders for receiveing such Goods of his aboard as the R^{t} : Hon^{r} : Comp^{a} : have Directed to their returning Presidents.

Ordered that the Paymaster do muster Ship Benjamins Company.

Ship Benjamins Compa: to be muster'd.

M^{r} : Thomas Wright Sea Customer delivers in a Paper (as entred after this Consultation) giveing his reasons why the Customs for the year 1699 falls so much short of the preceeding year.

Paper deliver'd why ye: Sea customs is lessen'd for the year 1699.

Frances Monke &c^{a} : late Arrac farmers pay into the R^{t} : Honble : Companys cash Three hundred Pagodas on that account : and Vincatee Kisna &c^{a} : late Tobacco farmers Seven hundred & fifty Pagod^{s} : on that account and M^{r} : Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper Two hundred & fifty Pagodas on Acco^{t} : Goods sold.

The late Arrac farmers pays in 300 pa : on that acco^{t} : late Tobacco farmers 750 pas : on that accot : & Warehousekeeper pays 250 pags : on acoo^{t} : Goods sold.

Ordered that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r} : Matthew Empson Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Pags : 1000 order'd ye : Paymr : to defray charges.

Captain John Brown Com̃ander of Ship Benjamin requesting liberty to bring ashore some brown cloth to whiten only, and that at Exportation he may be excused paying custom.

Capt : Brown reqnests to be exous'd payg : custom on brown cloth Imported but disallow'd.

The R^{t} : Honble : Companys orders being so possitive that all Goods Imported & Exported pay them their due Custom of five ℘ Cent. It is resolved by Majority, that he cannot be excused from paying the same.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t} : David dated the 5th : Instant, read.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper do use all expedition in the Ladeing of Ship Benjamin, sending off the Charterparty proportion of Redwood and the fine bale goods.

All expedition to be us'd for the Lading Ship Benjamin.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO : BRADDYLL.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{s} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HON^{BLE} : THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R} :
PRESID^{T} : & GOVERN^{R} : &C^{A} : COUNCILL.

I request your Hon^{r} : &c^{a} : will please to grant me an order to the Com̃ander of Ship Benjamin for receiveing mee & my family (with necessary's) as Passengers for England, and for affording mee such Privilege in accommodation and Tonnage as the R^{t} : Honble : Company have been pleased of their accustomed Goodness to allow to their returning Servants.

Nathl : Higginson Esqr : his request to go for England.

Your Hon^{r} : &c^{as} : Most hum^{ble} : Servt :
NATH^{L} : HIGGINSON.

Fort S^{t} : George 8th Feb^{ry} : 1699-1700

9TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699-1700*——

To the Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr: President &
Governour of Fort S^t: George &c^a:

Honble: S^r:

Reasons why the customs for the year 1699 are lessen'd

According to your Hon^rs: order have perused the Sea-Custom Acco^ts: for the years 1698 and 1699 by which find the reason why the Sea-Custom Acco^ts: for 1699 comeing so much shorter then the preceeding year, arises cheifly in the Armenians & Moors Trade from Bengall, and for want of our Annuall China & Manilha Ships, which by some misfortune was detained the last year in Manilha & China, and but two of them as yet arrived, and it is my opinion, that this year will not amount to so much as last first, because of the many great Traders that have and are adrawing in their stoc[ks] in order for England, which undoubtedly will much lessen the number of Ships belonging to this Port, Secondly for fear of the Pirats which are grown very numerous in these parts, and Thirdly, for want of a Moors Army in this Country, which for many years past, has taken off vast Quantitys of all sorts of fforeigne Comoditys. I am

Honble: S^r:

Yo^r: Most Hum^ble: Servant

Tho: Wright.

Fort S^t: George 7th Feb^ry: 1699–1700

10TH Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated 7th: Instant.

The following order was sign'd by the Governour and Councill.

Saturday d^o: Bales 200 from Fort S^t: David to be unladen.

Sloop S^t: Antonio Peter Eyes Master being arriv^d: this afternoon from Fort S^t: David with Two hundred Bales Calicoes of the R^t: Honble: Companys, It is resolved (being now late) that M^r: James Eustace go off on Monday morning early and Traverse the said bales on Ship Benjamin, takeing great care to compare the Boatswains receipts with the marks & numbers in said Sloops Bill Lading, which is to be deliver'd him for his Government and that he send ashore the following bales as they come to hand for our viewing. Vizt.

			Bale.
SALO.	Salampores—		
	No. 4		1
	3		1
			2
BET.	Betteelas fine—		
	No. 25		1
	28		1
			2
BETP.	Shady Betteela's—		
	No. 1		1
	2		1
			2
NECF.	Neck cloths fine—		
	No. 38 +		1
	38 O		1
			2
SVC.	Succatoms—		
	No. 1		1
	2		1
			2

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LCOB. Long Cloth Brown— Bale.
N°: D 1

Bales ... 11

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROG: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship S^{t}: Antonio Juerda Mendez Poilot saild for Fort S^{t}: David. 11

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 12

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Generall Letter to the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Company to be sent by Ship Benjamin of this date to Par: 34 read & approved. — Letter to the Company, part read.

Ordered that Pag^{a}: Two thousand seven hundred be paid Senr: Mattheus Carvalho de Silva being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Govern^{r}: & Councill of Fort S^{t}: David dated the 2^{d} Instant. — Fort S^{t}: David bill for 2700 Order'd to be paid.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 7th: Instant, read. — Letter received, read.

The Governour and Councill having been at the Godown to view the Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam Goods brought upon y^{e}: Benjamin, and finding the Betteela's from Vizagapatam very course and extravagantly dear, and the Goods in generall the same for Metchlepatam, in so much, that wee [have] just reason to be jealous that the Company at neither places are fairly dealt with. — Vizagapatam & Metchlepatam Goods view'd by Govr: & Councill, and found to be bad.

Wherefore 'tis resolved that the warehousekeeper takes three peices of each out of the Vizagapatam bales of Betteela's, and that hee with M^{r}: Lovell present, takes three peices of each bale of the Metchlepatam Goods, each of them affixing their seals to the peices in order that so soon as the Benjamin is Dispatch'd, a strict scrutiny be made into those Investments, that the Comp^{a}: may have imediate reperation if found to be injur'd. — Three p^{s}: to be taken & kept in order to a strict Scrutiny.

M^{r}: Thomas Lovell being upon the Place, was sent for before us, and Examined to severall particulars relating to the Investments he had made at Metchlepatam, to which he gave intricate and Disatisfactory answers, and it being demanded of him his accounts, he answer'd, he had left them at Metchlepatam to be finished and had brought none with him, not so much as a Day Book. — M^{r}: Tho: Lovell examin'd about the Metchlepatam Goods.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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THURSDAY 15TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Ship Benjamins Company 88. Warehousekeeper pays 3000 pagᵉˢ on Accoᵗ: Silver sold.

Mʳ: Matthew Empson reports the Muster of Ship Benjamins men to be Eighty eight.

Mʳ: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the Rᵗ: Hon: Companys Cash Three thousand Pagoda's on Accoᵗ: Silver sold.

Fort Sᵗ: David Goods upon View being found bad, three pᵉˢ: of each sort to be kept for examination.

Upon viewing the Eleven bales of Fort Sᵗ: David Goods sent on shore from Sloop Sᵗ: Antonio and finding them not to answer expectation, The warehousekeeper and Mʳ: Mead (being present) are ordered both to affix their Seals on three peices indifferently to be taken out by them of each bale for our Examination into their Investments.

Bengall Canvas 160 pˢ: to be Laden on Ship Benjamin for England.

There remaining in the Godown 342 pˢ: Bengall Canvas which have lain some considerable time and being too great a quantity for Sale here, It is resolved that 160 peices be sent home ℔ Ship Benjamin, and the like number on Ship Eᵗ: India Merchant when she arrives from Bengall.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMˢ: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

FRIDAY 16TH

ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraordinary*

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Former Order for paying 2 ℔ Cent on Diamonds &cᵃ: Jewells recall'd & why.

The Order of Consultation dated 9ᵗʰ: October 1699 for paying two ℔ Cent here by such persons as shall Lade Diamonds, Pearls, &cᵃ: Jewells standing still in force, wee beleive to be the reason none hath been brought in and Registred as formerly, which occasions an apparent Loss to the Company, wherefore 'tis unanimously resolved, that the aforesaid Order be recall'd, and notice given to all persons, that they may bring in their Diamonds, and Register 'em upon the same Term's as formerly.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMˢ: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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Ship Kisna Pressader, Crumados Narrain Tandell arrived from Jackernott. 17TH

This morning the wind blew very hard at East and gradually freshning, brought ashore Eight Boats at an anchor in this road, some having a considerable quantity of Paddy &c^{a}: Grain, which was all lost, but the wind abated towards the Evening.

Yesterday Ship Humphry & Charles Will: ffolks Master arrived from Vizagapatam, by whom received Generall Letter from the Cheif &c^{a}: Councill dated 30th: January last. 20

Ship Simon John Phowden Master sailed for Vizagapatam.

Sloop S^{t}: Antonio Peter Eyes Master sailed for Vizagapatam. 21

Brigantine S^{t}: David Edward Fort Master arrived from Malacca and Fort S^{t}: David.

This night via Policherry received a Generall Letter from the Agent &c^{a}: Councill of Bengall dated 29th: January last sent by a French Ship, adviseing the Loss of Ship East India Merchant on the Eastward Sand going from the new Deeps, but the Pacquet mention'd to be saved is not yet received from Policherry.

About six a clock this morning Ship Benjamin fired a Gun signifying her being full. 22

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 22D

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Mint Acco^{t}: for Jan^{y}: read.

The President read his Mint Acco^{t}: for the month January last Viz^{t}:

To Custom of Gold coin'd in y^{e}: Mint Pag^{s}: 77: 9: 20.
To Custom of Silver coin'd ... Rup^{s}: 506: 11: —

and pays the Ballance Viz^{t}: Pag^{s}: 318: 4: 4 into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash, and Rup^{s}: 3371: 13: 0 to the Warehousekeeper.

Further part of a Letter to the Company read.

Further part of the Generall Letter to the R^{t}: Honble: Company dated the 12th: Instant, from Paragraph 34, to 48 read and approved.

Land Custom Acco^{t}: for m^{o}: Jan^{ry}: read &

M^{r}: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco^{t}: Land Custom for the month January last, particulars Viz^{t}:

Choultry Custom ...	...	...	...	...	Pag^{s}:	339:	19: 50
Trivlecane Custom ...	...	...	...	...	„	0:	3: 10
Rubie Brokers ...	...	...	...	...	„	22:	16: 70
Cloth Brokers ...	...	...	...	...	„	2:	10: 38
Town Rents ...	...	...	...	...	„	71:	6: 69
Registring Slaves ...	...	...	...	...	„	0:	32: 0
					Pag^{s}:	436:	16: 77

Pag^{s}: 434 paid on that Acco^{t}: Letters received, read

and pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Companys Cash Four hundred thirty four Pag^{s}: on that Acco^{t}:

Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 30th: January last, and from Bengall dated the 29th: ditto, read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699–1700——

23 Received Generall Letter from Messrs: Woolston and Noden at Metchlepatam dated the 7th: Instant, with copy of a Paper sent by S^{r}: W^{m}: Norris Barr^{t}: Ambassador to the great Mogull to said M^{r}: Woolston, forbidding his makeing any address or applycation to any Minister of the Mogulls, without his knowledge and permission.

FRIDAY 23RD ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraord^{y}* :

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Letters received, read. Latter part of a Letter to the Company, read. Generall Letter from Messrs: Woolston and Noden at Metchlepatam dated the 7th: Instant, Also the latter part of the Generall Letter to the R^{t}: Honble: Company to be sent ℔ Ship Benjamin dated the 12 & 22^{d}: Instant, read and approved.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

SATURDAY 24 ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraord^{y}* :

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

The Accomptants Answer to the Auditor Generalls Letter read & approv'd. M^{r}: Francis Ellis Accomptant produces his answer dated this Day to the Auditor Generalls Letter, which being read and approv'd by us, hee is order'd to sign it.

The following Letters &c^{a}: were sign'd Viz^{t} :
To the R^{t}: Honble: Company dated the 12th: & 22^{d}: Ins^{t}:
Abstract of Ditto Letter.
To the Company, a Duplicate, Dat: ℔^{mo}: & 13th: Oct^{r}: last all to be sent ℔ Ship Benjamin.
And Capt: John Brown Com^{r}: of Ship Benjamin his Dispatch for England.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

25TH Early this morning deliver'd Capt: John Brown his Dispatch, and about ten a clock Ship Benjamin saild for England.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699–1700*——

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Roger Braddyll
Thomas Wright — Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall — John Meverell

Thursday 29th

Order'd that Pag^{s}: 4642: 31: 3 be paid Capt: William Brooke, being both Principal & Interest due on a Bond dated the 20th: October last.

Interest Bond discharg'd. Pag^{s}: 520 paid in for p^{r}mission of Passengers in y^{e}: Benjamin.

The President pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Companys cash Pag^{s}: Five hundred & twenty, being for the permission of Passage of the following persons on Ship Benjamin for England Viz^{t}:

Nathl: Higginson Esqr:	Pa:	26	Bro^{t}: over ...	Pag^{s}:	208
Elizabeth Higginson ...	,,	26	Abraham Plymer ...	,,	26
Elizabeth Higginson ...	,,	26	Charles Metcalf ...	,,	26
Richards Higginson ...	,,	26	Mary Metcalf ...	,,	26
Nathl: Higginson Junr:	,,	26	Carolina Metcalf ...	,,	26
Sarah Higginson ...	,,	26	William Metcalf ...	,,	26
Mary Large	,,	26	William Proby ...	,,	26
Alvaro Dafonseca ...	,,	26	Aron Cohen	,,	26
			Five Slaves	,,	130
Pag^{s}:		208	Pag^{s}:		520

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Companys Cash Pag^{s}: Six hundred on Acco^{t}: Sea-Customs, and M^{r}: John Meverell Land Customer Pag^{s}: 30: 14: 56 being for ten months Town Conicoplies Duty at the Choultrey ending January last.

On acco^{t}: Sea customs paid in Pag^{s}: 600 & Pag^{s}: 30: 14: 56 for ten m^{os}: Town Conicoplys duty.

Ordered that Pag^{s}: One thousand be paid M^{r}: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^{s}: 1000 order'd the Paymaster to defray charges.

M^{r}: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Companys cash Pag^{s}: 16142: 31: 40 on Acco^{t}: Goods and Silver sold, and read his warehouse Acco^{t}: for the month January last.

Warehousekeeper pays Pa: 16142: 31: 40 on acco^{t}: Goods sold and read his Jan^{y}: m^{os}: Acco^{t}:

Generall Letters to Bombay dated the 26th: to Surat and Anjengo dated the 27th: Instant, all read and sign'd.

Letters sent, read.

Ordered that Pag^{s}: 5157: 18: 0 be paid Mahomet Labe and Nenam Mestre, being both the Principal and Interest due on a Bond dated the 23^{d}: October last.

Interest bond Discharg'd.

M^{r}: Francis Bett Prov^{l}: Storekeeper read his Storekeepers accounts for the months of December and January last, and pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Comp^{s}: Cash Two hundred Pag^{s}: on acco^{t}: Stores sold.

Storekeepers Acco^{ts}: for m^{os}: Dec^{r}: & Jan^{y}: read and pays 200 p^{as}: for stores sold.

Ordered that Pag^{s}: one hundred & forty be paid M^{r}: Francis Bett &c^{a}: Owners of Sloop S^{t}: Anthony, being in full for the freight of Two hundred bales at Fort S^{t}: David the Master having received Ten Pag^{s}: there of the Deputy Govr: and Councill.

Freight for Fort S^{t}: David bales order'd to be paid.

There being about Thirty Garse Wheat in the Godown received last year from Bengall, and beginning to be worm eaten, Ordered that the Warehousekeeper sell Twenty Garse by Outcry.

Wheat 20 Garse to be sold & why.

[29TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1699–1700*——

Ensign Gardners Comission to be taken away & why.

Ensign John Gardner whose Comission was formerly taken away, upon complaints made of his intemperance by Drink and other misdemeanours; and promiseing to reclaim, was on the 21st: July last restor'd again, since which time his behaviour giving us no better hopes of amendment, It is resolved (for Example sake) he be Degraded, by cancelling his Comission at the head of ye: Company and that an Ensign's Comission be drawn out for Serjt: William Read, esteeming him the fittest person.

An Ensigns Comission to be drawn for Wm: Read.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

MARCH ỹmo: Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamar the following Generall Letters Vizt: To Anjengo dated the 27th: past.

To Surat of ditto Date, and to Bombay dated the 26th: past, incloseing Duplicate of our Letter to the Rt: Honble: Company ℔ Ship Benjamin dated the 12th: & 22d: past, and a short Letter to them of this Date.

Ship Chinna Caddu John Twyman Master arrived from Fort St: David, by, whom received Generall Letter from the Deputy Govr: &ca: Councill dated the 26th: past incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for 170 bales amounting to Pags: 11055: 25: 5.

FRIDAY ỹmo: The following order was sign'd by the Presidt: & Councill.

170 bales from Fort St: David to be unladen.

Ship Chinna Caddu being just now arrived from Fort St: David with one hundred & seventy bales Calicoes belonging to the Rt: Honr: Company. Order'd that the Warehousekeeper send off Boats early tomorrow morning to unlade the said bales.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

MONDAY 4 ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

Letter received, read. The State of the northen factorys laid before ye: Councill and what methods to be taken.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 26th: February last, read.

The Governour laying before the Councill the State of the Companys Affairs at Metchlepm: and Vizagapatam, and pressing the urgent necessity of sending one of the Councill, to Inspect into the late Investments made by Mr: Lovell &ca: at the former place; and to secure the great Remains at Vizagapatam, as also to [make] an Investment at Metchlepatam for the September Ship,

Mr: Braddyll esteem'd fittest to Visit the No'ern: factorys.

All esteeming Mr: Roger Braddyll in a [ll] respects the properest person, desires he may be equip'd with all expedition to undertake the same.

———*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699–1700*——— [4TH]

Ordered that the following Stores be provided by the storekeeper and Laden on board Ship Chinne Caddu for Fort S^{t}: David Viz^{t}: Stores to be provided and sent to Fort S^{t}: David.

Gunn Carriages	...	...	...	...	...	6
Axel trees	...	...	...	...	...	24
Rope ...	...	...	...	...	...	Coil's 2
Plank large	...	...	...	...	...	P^{s}: 10
Jaggary	...	...	...	...		Candys 20

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

It's said M^{r}: [H]olcombe hath Effects in this Town to answer all the Companys demands, therefore I am of opinion that satisfaction ought to be Demanded of him, the which if he renders not, then a resolution ought to be taken to reduce him to complyance. 4TH

The Metchlepatam business is not to be Inspected but by one that can stay there to make an Investment, which is not required of me, nor do I esteem it consonant with the Companys orders, therefore humbly crave leave to be excused. M^{r}: Braddylls paper desireing to be excus'd proceeding to the northern factorys.

RO: BRADDYLL.

Ship Chinne Caddu John Twyman Master Sail'd for Fort S^{t}: David by whom sent General Letter to the Deputy Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of yesterdays Date incloseing Invoice & Bill Lading for Sundrys amount 10 Pag^{s}. 6

Ship Dolphin George Weoley arrived from Syrian in Pegu, by whom received Generall Letter from M^{r}: Thomas Bowyear Resident there dated the 2^{d}: February last. 8

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 8

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

The President read his Acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: Cash for the month February last, the Ballance being Pag^{s}: 8611: 13: 0: Comp^{s}: Cash for mo: ffeb^{y}: read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Sea-Customer read his Acco^{t}: Sea-Customs for the month January last, particulars Viz^{t}: Sea Customer read his acco^{t}: for mo: January

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	...	...	...	...	...	Pag^{s}:	449: 5: 5
To Custom on Grain	...	...	...	...	...	„	418: 7: 0
To Anchorage & Tonnage	...	...	...	...	...	„	86: 8: 0
						Pag^{s}:	953: 20: 5

Generall Letter to Vizagapatam dated the 6th: Instant, read. Generall Letter sent, read.

Peter de Pomera &c^{a}: Arrac farmers pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s}. Two hundred and fifty on that account for one month ending the 14th: ffebruary last.

[8TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699–1700*——

Generall Letter from Mr: Thomas Bowyear at Pegu dated the 2d: February last, read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

9TH By a countrey Boat Dispatch'd Generall Letter to the Cheif &cs: Councill at Vizagapatam dated the 6th: Instant.

10 Ship Sta: Mareia Coja Saffer Noqueda arrived from Pegu.
Ship Mahomadee [*Lacuna in the original*] arrived from Porto Novo.
Ship Surat Salamat, Sommoo Siddee Noquedah arrived from Vizagapatam.

11 Ship Messahia Thomas Plumb Master arrived from Pegu, on whom came Mr: Thomas Bowyear, Also arrived Parr Recovery Lockyer Watts Master from Pegu.

12 Ship Jerusalem Coja Abraham Noquedah arrived from Pegu.
Sloop Christean Quintus, Andrew Sombar Master arrived from Tringombar.

13 Ship Maddapollam Coja Issa Cooley Noqueda arrived from Pegu.
Ship Sedgwick John Mabb Master arrived yesterday from Acheen.
Ship Bone Voyage [*Lacuna in the original*] arrived from Pegu.
Received ℔ ffrench Cossed, Generall Letter from the President &cs: Councill at Surat dated the 25th: December last, with copy of a clause of a Letter to Surat from the Generall &cs: at Bombay dated the 16th: December.

14 Sloop Allee Madut Mahomadoo Issee Noquedah arrived from Acheen.

THURSDAY 14TH ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly Summond.

Letter from Surat, read. Generall Letter from the President &cs: Councill at Suratd ated 25th: December last, read.

Warehouse-keeper pays 10,800 pags: on Acco: Silver sold. Pags 1,000 Order'd ye: Paymr: to defray Charges & Pags: 500 the washers to cure the Comps: Cloth. Mr: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash, Ten thousand Eight hundred Pagoda's on Acco: Silver sold.

Ordered that Pags: One thousand be paid Mr: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison and Pags: Five hundred to Paulo &cs: washers to cure the Rt: Honble: Companys cloth.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

15 Ship Mahomadee, Mahomadoo Hussen Noquedah arrived from Quedda and brought fourteen Elephants.

17 Received Generall Letter from Mr: Saml: Woolston at Maddapollam dated 28th: February last.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699–1700——

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated 14th: Instant, with copy of their Journall Letter to remain here and Acco^{t}: Cash from June last to the $\mathfrak{P}^{mo}$: Instant. 18

Sloop Christean Quintus, Andrew Sombar saild this night for Tringombar. 20

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 21

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS WRIGHT — JOHN MEVERELL.
THOMAS MARSHALL

The Councill being duly Sum̃on'd.

Generall Letters from M^{r}: Samuel Woolston at Maddapollam dated the 28th: February last & from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 14th: Instant, both read. — Letters received, read.

Order'd that Forty Seven Pag^{s}: be paid M^{r}: Daniel Chardin, being for one Bill drawn by the Deputy Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David dated y^{e}: 14th Instant. — Fort S^{t}: David bill order'd to be p^{d}:

Order'd that Martheus Marthenis Portuguez be entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison, & John Dennis in the Gunroom, and Davis Johnson Discharg^{d}: therefrom. — Portuguez entertain'd a Soldier & M^{r}: Dennis in y^{e}: Gunroom & anther discharg'd.

Order'd that Pag^{s}: One thousand be paid M^{r}: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison. — Pag^{s}: 1,000 Order'd y^{e}: Paym^{r}: to defray charges.

M^{r}: Richard Hunt Tobacco Mannager, read his Acco^{t}: of Tobacco sold for the months of January and February last, Viz^{t}: — Tobacco Mañagers Acco^{ts}: for Jan^{y}: & ffeb^{y}: read &

For the month of January	...	...	...	Pag^{s}:	567: 28: 0
For the month of February	...	...	...	„	619: 4: 40
				Pag^{s}:	1186: 32: 40

and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash One thousand Pag^{s}: on that account. — Pag^{s}: 1,000 paid in on y^{e}: Acco^{t}: Mint Acco^{t}: for m^{o}: ffeb^{y}: read.

The President read his Mint Account for the month of February last, Viz^{t}:

To Custom of Gold coin'd, in the Mint	...	Pag^{s}:	167: 30: 0
To Custom of Silver coin'd	...	... Rup^{s}:	347: 6: 0

There being very great want of Brimstone for makeing Powder, and some lately come from Acheen, Resolved that the Storekeeper buy up Ten candy for that use and that he Impresses one hundred Pag^{s}: for the procury of Plank prope[r] for Gun Carriages, as a Store. — Brimstone &c^{a}: to be bought by the Storekeeper.

The Paymaster is Order'd to sell at Outcry, the Mare presented by the Poligar of Vellore Pollem woods, where our souldiers were stop'd, who deserted this Garrison the 6th: October last. — A mare to be sold by the Paymaster.

Whereas in a Letter to Metchlepatam of the 3^{d}: January last, wee Empower'd M^{r}: Tho: Lovell &c^{a}: to draw on Us to the amount of Five thousand Pag^{s}: if there was an urgent necessity for't, and not otherwise, and that if M^{r}: Lovell was come away, the Power of drawing on us, was Null'd; soon after the receipt of said Order, M^{r}: Lovell Embarqu'd on the Benjamin for this place, yet nevertheless, hee drew two Bills on us to the amount of Five thousand Pagodas, which wee esteem contrary to the intent of our order; judgeing his comeing away so soon after the receipt of it, to be Tantamount as if he had been come away before, in regard wee did not intend to intrust the Companys estate in the hands of those who were not their Covenant Servants. — The factors at Metchlepatam allow'd to draw 5,000 pas: $\mathfrak{P}$ Bill if necessity requir'd.

[21st] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699–1700*——

They give the reasons for the necessity of drawing and two bills for 5,000 pas: order'd to be paid.

These two Bills for Five thousand Pagodas, having been often presented us for acceptance, & was this day in Councill brought again, upon which Mr: Lovell was sent for to lay before us the necessity there was for drawing these two Bills, whereupon he answers, that there being so small remains as about Thirteen hundred Pagodas, hee did it to keep the Merchants employ'd in the Company's Service, that so they might not all go over to the new Company to be Employ'd, which considering, as also the Credit of the Compa: the Bills being drawn by their ffactors, It is resolved, that the two Bills dated the 25th: Janry: last for Five thousand Pagoda's be forthwith paid Vizt: One for Pags: Two thousand five hundred to Indoor Tripite, the other for Two thousand five hundred Pagoda's to Quorala Railue as advised in their Letter dated the 30th: January last.

At Metchlepatam their Goods to lye unsorted & why.

And 'tis further Order'd that a Letter be wrote to Metchlepatam, that they hasten the getting in of the Goods, and to lett them lye unsorted till our further order, wee intending with all speed to send a Supervisor to Inspect and Direct the management of the Companys Affairs in those parts, and to settle a Cheif & Councill for the better management thereof.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

23 Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 20th: Instant.

Also Generall Letters from Mr: Saml: Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 6th: Instant and from Vizagapatam dated the 24th: February last.

Monday 25] Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Matthew Empson
Thomas Wright — John Meverell
Thomas Marshall
Ms: Roger Braddyll *indispos'd*

Letters received, read.

Generall Letters from Fort St: David dated the 20th: Instant from Mr: Samuel Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 6th: ditto, and from Vizagapatam dated the 24th: ffebruary last, all read.

Fort St: David bill for 1,200 pags: order'd to be paid. Land custom accot: for mo: Febr: read, and

Ordered that Twelve hundred Pags: be paid Messrs: Stephen Frewen and Thomas Wigmore, being for one Bill drawn by the Deputy Govr: &ca: Councill of Fort St: David dated the 20th: Instant.

Mr: John Meverell read his Land Custom Acco: for the month of February last, particulars Vizt:

Choultrey Custom	...	...	...	...	...	Pags:	329:	2:	5
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	...	...	„	0:	10:	40
Rubie Brokers ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	10:	28:	60
Cloth Brokers ...	..	...	...	...	...	„	4:	12:	0
Town Rents ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	39:	34:	28
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	...	„	0:	8:	0
						Pags:	384:	23:	53

Pags: 376 paid in on that accot: Accot: Salary ending ye: 25th: March to be drawn out.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys cash Three hundred Seventy Six Pagoda's on that account.

Order'd that the Accomptant draw out the Acco: Salary due to the Rt: Honble: Comps: Servants ending this Day.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699-1700*—— [25TH]

Mr: Thomas Wright read his Acco[t]: Sea Customs for the month of February last, particulars Viz[t]: Sea custom Acco[t]: for month February read, &

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	Pags:	735: 12: 85	
To Custom on Grain	„	1190: 34: 70	
To Anchorage	„	36: 18: 0	
To Salvage	„	17: 26: 25	
	Pags:	1980: 19: 5	

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Eight hundred Pagoda's on that account and Mr: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper (by his Conicoplie) pays into the Rt: Honr: Compy: cash Two thousand Six hundred Pags: on Acco[t]: Silver and Goods Sold. Pags: 800 paid in on y[e]: acco[t]: Warehouse-keeper pays 2,600 pas: on Acco[t]: Silver and Goods sold.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Loyall Captain Armiger Gostlin Comandr: and Mr: Edward Fleetwood Supra cargo arrived from Canton in China. 28

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 28TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Generall Letters to Fort St: David and to Messrs: Woolston &c[a]: at Metchlepatam dated the 28th: Inst: both read and approved. Letters sent, read & approv'd.

Mr: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys cash Two thousand five hundred Pags: on acco[t]: Goods sold. Warehouse-keeper pays 2,500 pas: on acco[t]: Goods sold.

The Accomptant produceing the last half years salary due to the Rt: Honble: Comps: Servants of this place ending the 25th: Instant amounting to Pags: 988: 20: 5, Ordered that the same be paid. Acco[t]: Salary ending 25th: March amo[t]: Pa: 988: 20: 5 order'd to be paid.

In persuance of our Consultation dated the 4th: Instant, It is resolved that Instructions be drawn out for Mr: Roger Braddylls proceeding to Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam. Instructions for Mr: Braddylls proceeding to ye: o: ern factorys order'd to be drawn out.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Sloop Mahomadee Fakery Mahomadoo Noqueda arrived from Malacca. 28
Ketch Chindatry Mussa Nina Noqueda arrived from Quedda and brought Six Elephants.

Ship Johanna Richard Rawlings Comander and Mr: John Dolben Supra cargo arrived from Emoy in China. 29

——FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1699–1700——

[29TH] Ship Friendship William Morrice Comander arrived from Fort S^{t}: David and Pegu, by whom received Generall Letter from the Dep: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill dated the 26th: Instant, incloseing Bill Lading for 148 bales Calicoes Account the R^{t}: Honble: Company amounting to Pag^{s}: 8770: 10: 0.

FRIDAY D^{O}: The following Order was sign'd by the Govern^{r}: and Councill.

Fort S^{t}: David bales 148 order'd to be unladen. Ship Friendship being arrived from Fort S^{t}: David with one hundred forty eight bales Calicoes belonging to the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Company, The Warehouse-keeper is therefore order'd to unlade the same.

THOMAS PITT.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOM^{s}: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.

30 Ship Conjevaron John Carroon Pilot arrived from Manilha.

31 Ship Prospect Francisco Nunis Master arrived from Bengall.

[APRIL] 3D. By a Country Boat Dispatch'd General Letter to Messrs: Woolston and Rowland at Metchlepatam dated the 28th: March last.

Brigantine S^{t}: David George Weoley Master Saild for Bengall, by whom sent a Genl: Letter to the Agent &c^{a}: Councill dated this Day.

4 Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David dat: the 28th: March last.

Yesterday Ship S^{t}: Pedro, Manuel Gonsalvis Commander came into this road from S^{t}: Thoma.

MONDAY D^{O}: ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Comp^{a}: cash for m^{o}: March read. Paymasters accot^{s}: for Jan^{y}: & February last, read. The President read his Acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash for the month March last, the Ballance being Pag^{s}: 7402: 34: 2.

M^{r}: Matthew Empson Paymaster read his Acco^{t}: Disbursements for the months of January and ffebruary last particulars Viz^{t}:

Jan	Charges Garrison	Pa: 1100: 35	
	Factors Provisions	156: —	
	Charges Extraordinary...	11: 23	
	Fort S^{t}: David	—: 34	
	Charges Generall	310: 11	
	Charges Diet	265: —	
	Charges Cattle	5: 7	
	Fortifications & Repairs	50: 34	
		Pag^{s}: 1901: —	
Febry	Charges Garrison	Pa: 1077: 17	
	Charges Diet	310: 31	
	Charges Merchandize	1: 11	
	Charges Generall	333: 16	
	Charges Cattle	38: 1	
	Charges Extraordinary	6: 31	
	Fortifications & Repairs	17: 26	
		Pag^{s}: 1785: 25	

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[4TH]

The President pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Pags: 16 : 3 : 4 for so much lost out of the Mint, with which he is charged in the last Generall Books, and Mr: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays Five thousand Pagoda's on accot: Silver & Goods sold. Also Mr: John Foquet Rentall General pays Seven hundred fifty five Pags: and Six fans: on accot: Quit Rents. Money on sundry accots: paid into Cash.

The time being expired on the 10th: Febry: last for the Merchants bringing in their Goods contracted for the 14th: April 1699, It is Ordered that they forthwith attend the warehousekeeper, and he to lay before us in writing the arrears standing out to compleat the said Investment, and if any Differences arrises between him and the said Merchts: in settleing their accounts, that he likewise lays the reasons before the Govr: and Councill. The Merchants to adjust accots: of their last Investms: wth: the warehousekeeper.

Order'd that Deo Gramash Portuguez be Discharg'd from the Garrison.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Mr: Saml: Woolston &cs: ffactors at Metchlepatam dated the 26th: March last. 10TH

Ship Bowanee Sancarah arrived from Topatore.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 11

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMS: MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL
MR: EMPSON *indisposd*

Order'd that George Watts be discharg'd fro. the Gunroom at his request. European Discharg'd ye: Gunroom.

Generall Letter from Messrs: Woolston & Noden at Metchlepatam dated the 26th: March last, read.

Mr. Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Three thousand Pags: on accot: Goods and Silver Sold, and Mr: Thomas Wright pays One thousand Pags: on Accot: Sea Custom's. Warehousekeeper pays 3,000 pas: on accots: Goods &cs: Sold & the Seacustomer 1000 pas: on yt: Accot:

Order'd that Antonio be entertain'd a Souldier in this Garrison. European Entertain'd a Soldier.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated 8th: Instant, with Invoice of the 148 bales Laden on Ship Friendship. 12TH

Ship Enattaly Abdula Ryhim arrived from Bengall.

Ship Prospect Francisco Nunis Master Sailed for Bengall. 16

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1700*——

17 Ship Dolphin Lockyer Watts Sail'd for Pegu.
Ship St[a]: Mareia, Coja Saffer Noqueda, Saild for Pegu.
18 Ship Acheen Merchant Samuel Hart Master arrived from Pegu.
Ship Mahomadee, Mahomud Assud saild for Pegu.
22 Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 31st: March last.
Sloop Christian Quintus, Andrew Sombar Mast[r]: arrived from Tringombar.

MONDAY 22[D]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM[S]: MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Late Arrac farmers pays into Cash 150 pas: on that Accot: Interest bonds order'd to be Paid.

M[rs]: Francis Monk &c[a]: late Arrac farm[rs]: pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys cash One hundred fifty Pag[s]: on that account.

M[r]: John Affleck presenting two Bonds at Interest Viz[t]: one dated the 8th: July last for Pag[s]: Two thousand, and one dated the 14th: November last for Pag[s]: Five thousand, Order'd that they be paid, with the Interest thereon.

Portuguez discharg'd ye: Gunroom.

John Fernando was discharg'd the Gunroom at his request on the 15th: Instant.

Genl: Lre &c[a]: papers from Fort St: David, read.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 8th: Instant, with the severall papers therewith received, all read.

Torn cloth in ye: Merch[ts]: hands to be made into Shirts

Order'd that all the torn cloth fitting both fine and course be made into shirts.

Warehousekeeper pays 2000 pas: for Goods sold & ye: Seacustomer 900 pas: on yt: acco[t]: Pag[s]: 1000 Order'd the Paym[r]: to defray charges.

M[r]: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays into the R[t]: Hon[r]: Comp[s]: cash Two thousand Pag[s]: on Acco[t]: Goods sold, and M[r]: Thomas Wright pays nine hundred Pag[s]: on Acco[t]: Sea-Custom's.

Receiver of ye: Customhouse delivers in a Paper.

Order'd that One thousand Pag[s]: be paid M[r]: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

M[r]: Thomas Wigmore delivers in a paper (as entered next after this consultation) which is refer'd to further consideration.

Some being fallen, the other Beaten Godowns are to be pul'd down.

Part of the Beating Godowns being lately fallen, and the rest so defective, that wee beleive they cannot long stand, It is therefore order'd that the Paymaster pull the rest down.

Pag[s]: 30: 18 paid into cash for a mare sold.

M[r]: Matthew Empson Paymaster pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Pag[s]: 30: 18 being for the Mare order'd to be sold at Outcry as ℔ Consultation dated the 21st: March last.

Pags: 211: 12: 70 paid into Cash for 13 mos: Town Conicoplys Duty at Sea-Custom house.

M[r]: Thomas Wigmore Receiver of the Sea Customs pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Pa: 211: 12: 70 on Acco[t]: Town Conicopleys Duty for thirteen mo[ths]: ending the ult[o]: January last.

Storekeepers acco[ts]: for mo: February & March read.

M[r]: Francis Bett Prov[l]: Storekeeper read his acco[ts]: for the months of February & March last.

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Pags: 125 paid into Cash accot: Wine Licence ending 25th: March last.

Peter de Pomera for Accot: of Mr: William Proby pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash One hundred twenty five Pags: for half a year for the Wine Licence ending the 25th: March last.

Pags: 300 advanc'd to ye: washers.

Order'd that Three hundred Pags: be paid Paulo &ca: Washers for cureing the Rt: Honr: Comps: cloth.

Pags: 250 paid into Cash Accot: Arrac farm.

Peter de Pomera &ca: Arrac farmers pays into the Rt: Honr: Compy: Cash Two hundred fifty Pags: on that accot: ending the 14th: March last.

Damaged Stores Order'd to be sold.

The Garrison Store of Butter and Wheat being much decay'd, Order'd that the same be sold at Outcry.

A Serjant discharg'd at his request.

Serjant Ignatius White lately come from Fort St: David by the Deputy Govr: &ca: Councills permission, now requesting our leave to bee Discharg'd, It is accordingly granted him.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HONBLE: THOMAS PITT ESQR: GOVERNR: OF FORT St: GEORGE &ca: COUNCILL.

Honble: Sr: &ca:

Receiver of the Custom—house his paper, declareing his unwillingness to continue in that Employ & why.

You having by an Act of Councill dated the 7th: December last, made all Collectors of the Comps: Revenues answerable for what received, whether by themselves or the Conicoplies. And also therein for security of such collectors have given them liberty to chuse their own Conicoplies with the approbation of your Honr: &ca: And that it shall be in the Officers power to take Security of all Conicoplies that Officiate under him; which order being made in a very short time after I had enterd upon the employment I now am in, and therefore consequently, before I could have a true knowledge of the manner of collecting the customs, or of the persons by whom a great part must be received, was the only reason I did not make my applycation to your Honr: &ca: sooner. But since I am better acquainted with that business, I humbly conceive, that it is not in the power of any Englishman to receive all the customs himself, because great part arises from importations made by blacke Merchants, Strangers; The Conicoplys that are now employed in collecting thereof have declared themselves uncapable of giving security nor can I find any that are, and 'tis hardly to be expected that men which serve for about Eighteen pence a week can give such as is sufficient. For wch: reasons if your Honr: &ca: pleasure is that the Receiver shall be answerable for what received by all the Conicoplies self-preservation obliges me to acquaint you, that on those term's I dare not continue longer in that employ, being necessitated to trust such persons whose honesty is but poor Security. But if your Honr: &ca: shall think fitt to order any method whereby the customs may be collected without such apparent hazard of ruin to the collector, I shall use my utmost diligence to put the same in execution, all which is humbly offer'd to your Honr: &cas: consideration by

Srs: Yor: most Obedt: Servant
THO: WIGMORE.

Fort St: George, 22d: April 1700.

Ship Noss Senhora Rosairo Anthony Norangy Comander came into this road from St: Thoma. 24

[24TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1700*——

The Companys Ship Rubie Zachariah Stilgo Master arrived from Bengall, by whom received Generall Letter from the Agent &c^{a}: dated the 7th: March last, with the severall papers as ℔ List from N^{o}: 1 to 15.

THURSDAY 25 ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL
The Councill being duly Sum̃ond

Generall Letters received, read. Generall Letters from Vizagapatam dated the 31st: March last, and from the Agent &c^{a}: of Bengall dated the 7th: March last, copy of their Letter dated the 13th: and 15th: January last (the Original whereof never came to hand) with the severall papers received in the Pacquet, all read.

Ship Rubie from Bengall order'd [to] be unladen. The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the severall Goods sent by Ship Rubie from the Agent and Councill of Bengall.

Warehouse Accot^{s}: for m^{os}: Febrn-ary & March read. M^{r}: Roger Braddyll read his warehouse acco^{t}: for the months of February & March last.

Ship Rubie supply'd wth: an Anchor & Cable being in want. The Master acquainting us that Ship Rubie wants an Anchor and Cable. Order'd that the Storekeep^{r}: send off an Anchor of about 600 weight and a Coire Cable.

Acco^{t}: Remains to ye: 30th: Instant of all charges to be brought in. Order'd that the respective Officers bring in Acco^{t}: Remains to the 30th: Instant, of the severall charges under them.

The Joint Stock Merch^{ts}: desire a Vessell, having Cloth at Kisnapatm: Ship Rubie spared for that purpose. The Joint Stock Merchants acquaints us, that at Kisnapatam about 15 Leagues to the N^{o}:ward, they have about 4 or 5,000 Pag^{s}: of Goods lying ready to put on board, and requesting our assistance in the procury of a Vessell to fetch them hither, promiseing to pay freight, which being consider'd. It is resolved that Ship Rubie be spared for that purpose, not having any present employ for her.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

26TH Ship Greyhound [*Lacuna in the original*] Master arrived from Bombay and brought a Generail Letter from the Generall &c^{a}: Councill there dated the 5th: March last.

27 Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date.

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Thursday May 2

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis Roger Braddyll
Thomas Wright
Thom^{s}: Marshall John Meverell

Ballance of the Minters Accot: paid into Cash.

Sarsapah &c^{a}: Minters pay into the R^{t}: Honble: Company^{s} Cash Pag^{s}: 108: 16: 1 being what they stand Indebted upon the former Genl: books.

Sea Custom Accots: for March m^{o}: read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright read his Sea Custom Acco^{ts}: for the month March last, particulars Viz^{t}:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	Pag^{s}:	686:	4: 90
To Custom on Grain	„	463:	16: 25
To Anchorage	„	70:	—: —
To Freight of Ship Neptune from Metchlepatam ...	„	15:	2: 2
To Freight of Ship Benjamin to Bengall	„	16:	29: 70
To Freight of ditto from Bengall	„	217:	7: 75
	Pag^{s}:	1468:	25: —

Companys Accot: Cash for April m^{o}: read.

The President read his Acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: Cash for the month April last, the Ballance being Pag^{s}: 10,954: 20: 5.

Land Custom Accot: for March m^{o}: read and

M^{r}: John Meverell read his Land Custome Acco^{ts}: for the month March last, particulars Viz^{t}:

Choultry Custom	Pag^{s}:	461:	17: 30
Trivlecane Custom	„	—:	11: —
Rubie Brokers	„	22:	3: 15
Cloth Brokers	„	—:	8: 15
Town Rents	„	4:	32: 85
Registring Slaves	„	—:	24: —
Fines	„	2:	—: —
	Pag^{s}:	491:	24: 15

Pag^{s}: 485 paid into Cash on y^{t}: accot: and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s}: Four hundred Eighty five on that account.

Mint Accot: for March m^{o}: read.

The President read his Mint Accounts for the month March last, particulars Viz^{t}:

To Custom of Gold coin'd in the Mint Pa: 188: 17: 40.

Generall Letter from Bombay dated 5th: March last, read.

Warehouse-keeper pays into Cash Pa: 1,000 for Goods sold.

M^{r}: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash One thousand Pag^{s}: on Acco^{t}: Goods sold.

Town Conicoply is paid 25 pags: for 3 moths:

Order'd that Pag^{s}: Twenty five be paid Woota Linga Town Conicopley for three months ending the ultimo April last.

The Warehonsekeeper to pay for y^{e}: freight of Bales from St: David and to deliver Peter for Powder.

The Warehousekeeper is Order'd to pay the Owner of Ship Friendship Pag^{s}: One hundred & Eleven being for Freight of 148 bales Calicoes at $\frac{3}{4}$ Pag^{s}: $\frac{75}{100}$ Bale received from Fort St: David and the Warehousekeeper also to deliver the Storekeeper forty Candy Salt-petre for makeing of Powder.

[2ND] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1700*——

Persons and Mony to be sent to Metchlepatam to carry on y^e^ : Comp^s^ : affairs.

Ship John Baptista being suddainly design'd for Metchlepatam, It is therefore resolved that Ten thousand Pag^s^: be sent thither on her and persons to manage the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: Affairs.

Tobacco Manager Acco^t^ : for March m^o^ : read and pays 481 pag^s^ : into Cash.

M^r^: Richard Hunt Tobacco Mañager read his acco^t^: of Tobacco sold for the month March last, being Pag^s^: 534: 4: 60 and pays into the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: Cash Pag^s^: Four hundred eighty one on that account.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^S^: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

7 Ship Sedgwick Henry Harnett Master Sail'd for Bengall, by whom sent a Generall Letter to the Agent &c^a^: Councill dated the 6th: Instant incloseing copy of ours dated the 3^d^: April last.

Ketch Recovery Andrew Goodman Master Sail'd for Bengall.

FRIDAY 10 ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^S^: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

People discharg'd the Gunroom.

John Webster on the 4th: and William Aked on the 7th: Instant, were Discharg'd the Gunroom at their request.

Torn cloth to be taken in.

There being a great quantity [of] torn cloth in the Merchants hands, Order'd that it be taken in at the former prizes.

Copper to be bought & coin'd into Cash.

The Paymaster is order'd to Buy five Candy of Copper and deliver it into the Mint, for y^e^: Coining of Dooda's & Cash, there being great want of them in Town.

Mint Acco^t^ : for m^o^ : April read & Pag^s^ : 1103 : 12 : 20 as y^e^ : Ballance p^d^ : into Cash.

The President read his Mint Acco^ts^: for the month April last, particulars Viz^t^:

To Custom of Gold Coin'd in the Mint Pa: 747: 0: 60 and pays into the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: Cash Pag^s^: 1103: 12: 20 as the Ballance, and Pag^s^: 211 on acco^t^: Fanams Coin'd. Also pays 53 1/16 Dollars and Rup^s^: 347: 6 an^s^: to the Warehousekeeper.

Pag^s^ : 1,800 paid into Cash acco^t^ : Goods sold.

M^r^: Roger Braddyll Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t^: Honble: Comp^s^: Cash Eighteen hundred Pag^s^: on acco^t^: Goods sold.

Pag^s^ : 1,000 to be paid y^e^ : Paym^r^ : for defraying charges.

Order'd that one thousand Pag^s^: be paid M^r^: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Letter to Vizagapatam : read & sign'd.

Generall Letter to Vizagapatam of this Date, read & sign'd.

Ship Rubie being orank

Ship Rubie being represented by the Agent &c^a^: Councill to be very crank, and for that reason sent hither being unfitt for their Service, It is therefore Agreed a Note be Affixt at the Sea Gate, signifying that said Ship be Put up to

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1700*—— [10TH]

Sale at Publick Outcry on Wednesday next being the 15th: Instant, and that the Sea Customer do Bid so far as Fifteen hundred Pagoda's. Order'd to be sold.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 7th: Instant, with the severall papers as ℔ List from No. 1 to 9. 11

Ship Humphry & Charles, William Folks Master Saild for Vizagapatam & Bengall, by whom sent a Generall Letter to the Cheif &cs: Councill of the former place dated the 10th Instant, incloseing Invoice and the Boatswains Receipt for a small Box of Factors Provisions. 13

Generall Letter from the Dep: Govr: of Fort St: David dated the 12th: Instant, advise Ship Chamber frigat Capt: Thomas South Comander, being arrived there that day from Europe, and that severall other Ships are design'd for the Coast, Bay & Surat. 15

Ship Fame Capt: William Brown Comander arrived from England, on whom was St: Charles Eyre Knight President for Bengall. 16

St: Charles Eyre came on shore, with the Comr. 17

Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dat: 28th April last ℔ Cossed accompanying Genl: Letter from Bengall dated 12th: March, with Journall Parcells and Accot: Currant taken out of their Books RR relating to this Place. 18

Ship Bone Scetterah Matt: Martin Comander arrived from Surat and Goa. 20

Ship Joan Baptista, Coja Chatoon Noqueda Saild for Metchlepatam and Bengall. 21

St: Charles Eyre went on board about six a clock this evening, and in the night Ship Fame Wm: Brown Comander saild for Bengall.

Received Generall Letter from the President &cs: at Surat dated 4th: April last, with two Papers of what Past in Discourse between St: Nichola's Waite Consul, and President for the new Comps: Affairs, and Messrs: Somaster and Terne our Masters Servants.

ATT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 22

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATT: EMPSON
THOMS: MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

Generall Letters from Fort St: David dated the 7th: & 12th: Instant, from Bengall dated the 12th: March last, from Vizagapatam dated the 28th: April last, and from the President &cs: at Surat dated the 4th: April, all read. Letters from Sundry places, read.

Order'd that Pags: 554: 26: 20 be paid Mr: John Affleck, and Pags: Eighty nine to Mr: Thomas Marshall, being for two Bills of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Governr: &cs: Councill of Fort St: David. Two bills drawn from Ft: St: David order'd to be paid.

The Sea-Customer reports that Ship Rubie being put up to Publick Outcry as ℔ Consultat: the 10th: Instant, none advanc'd above Five hundred and five Pagoda's. It is therefore Order'd that she be return'd to Bengall, from whence she was sent us. Ship Rubie not Selling for the Sum Limitted is order'd for Bengall.

Mr: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the Rt: Honr: Companys cash Fifteen hundred Pags: on that account. Pags: 1,500 paid into Cash Accot: Sea Custom.

[22ND]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1700*——

Paymrs: Accots: for mo: March read.

Mr: Matthew Empson read his Paymastrs: Accots: for the month March last, particulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1045: 7
Diet	„	390: 6
Charges Generall	„	289: 31
Factors Provisions	„	4: 22
Charges Cattle	„	121: 28
Charges Extraordinary	„	4: 18
Fort St: David	„	2: 5
Accot: Presents	„	35: 24
Fortifications and Repairs	„	40: 8
	Pags:	1934: 5

The Trustees of Ham̃on Gibbons decd: deliver in a Petition.

Messrs: John Styleman and George Lewis Trustees of Mr: Ham̃on Gibbons deceas'd, delivering in a Petition (as entred, after this Consultation) with an Account, Order'd that Mr: Ellis and Mr: Braddyll do Examine the York Fort and Indrapore Books &ca: and report the same.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Ro: Braddyll.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

To

The Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr:
President & Govr: of
Fort St: George &ca: Councill.

Honble: Sr: &ca:

The Trustees of Ham̃on Gibbons decd: their Petition.

Mr: Hammon Gibbons Deceas'd did in his last Will and Testament order us his Trustees to Petition Your Honr: &ca: to adjust his account with the Rt: Honble: Company, and pay ye: Ballance into our hands. Wee find by the Accot: taken from the Companys Generall Books both of Indrapore and this Place, that Mr: Gibbons has Credit for Pags: Eleven thousand Two hundred and Three, Thirty three fanams, and fifty one Cash which Books of Accounts were framed & adjusted by the Companys Covenant Servants, who, wee presume, were no ways Biased, but did Enter the Accounts faithfully, as they found them first Examining them that they were as they ought to be, However if your Honr: &ca: do Know or suspect that there is any mistake or Error in any part of Mr: Gibbons Accot: wee humbly request that your Honr: &ca: would please to appoint some fitt Persons (that will take Pains to do it faithfully) to Examine and adjust his accot: without favour or affection. Wee have noe reason to Beleive, that Mr: Gibbons did ever desire that wee should demand or receive more than what was really his due, and wee are so abundantly satisfied in your Honr: &ca: Justice, that wee are very well contented to leave it to your Honr: &ca: to Determine whether all or part only of Mr: Gibbons's Credit be due. And if your Honr: &ca: will please to pay us what you really find is due, wee shall as in duty bound Pray for your Honr: &ca: being.

Yor: Honrs: &cas: most hum: Servts:

Fort St: George 20th: May 1700.

John Styleman.
George Lewis.

25 Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort St: David of yesterdays Date, incloseing Journall parcells and Memorandums to be enter'd in their Genl: Book's.

Saturday 25th The Governour & Councill sign'd the following Order Vizt:

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1700*—— [25ra]

Whereas the Scarsity of ffanams in the Buzar causes great clamour, It is Order'd that Two thousand Ounces of the West-coast Dollar's be deliver'd into the Mint, and ffanams forthwth: coin'd. Fanams Order'd to be coin'd & why.

THOMS: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMS: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Yesterday Ship Ste: Peter & Paul Emanuel Gauss Sail'd for Macow.
Ship Topey, Wolly Mahomado Noqueda arrived from Pollicherry. 26
Ship Fortune James Lock Master arrived from Bengall.
Ship Conjavaron Francisco Broah Master Saild for Tringombar. 29
The Governour & Councill sign'd ye: following Order Vizt: FRIDAY 31

Whereas the Warehousekeeper and ye: Joint Stock Merchants differing very much in their Accounts as to the amount of what is brought in of the last Investment, And the Merchants also complaining of many hardships done them in the Warehouse, It is therefore Order'd by the Governour and Councill that the Warehousekeeper, together with Messrs: Ellis and Wright do summon all the Joint-Stock Merchants and state their account with the Rt: Honr: Company, and take notice apart of the Merchants objections, as also peruse the warehouse book, and see whether the Merchants have the same allowance between Number & No: according to the ancient and standing Rules of the warehouse, and that they View and Value the torn and turn'd out cloth and all remains whatever, and with all speed (the Comps: Service requireing it) make their report under their hands to the Governour and Councill. Warehouse-keeper and Joint stock Merchts: differing in accots: the latter also complaining of hardships. Persons are appointed to examine & report the same.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated 29th: May last, with the severall Papers as ℔ list to No: 9. JUNE 5D
Ship Bone Scettery Matt: Martin Comander saild for Bengall. 5

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 7TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

Mr: Thomas Wright read his Sea Custome Account for the month April last, particulars Vizt: Sea Customers accot: for the mo: April read &

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month ...	Pags: 1,569:	16: 2
To Custom on Grain	„ 507:	3: 2
To Anchorage...	„ 67:	18: —
	Pags: 2,144:	1: 4

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Three thousand Pagodas on that account. Pags: 3000 paid into Cash on that Accot:

[7TH]

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1700*——

Paymrs: Accots: for April, read.

Mr: Matthew Empson read his Paymasters Account for the month April last, ℘ticulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pags:	1,031:	26
Diet	„	299:	6
Charges Cattle	„	18:	9
Charges Generall	„	356:	29
Fort St: David	„	1:	14
Fleet Point	„	858:	10
Charges Extraordinary	„	3:	17
Fortifications & Repairs	„	31:	11
	Pags:	2,600:	14

Arrac farmers pays 100 Pags: in full of that ffarm ending Novr: 1699. For Customs at Cuddalore Pags: 472: 32: 77 paid into Cash here. Men entertain'd & Discharg'd the Gunroom.

Mrs: Frances Monk &ca: late Arrac farmers pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash One hundred Pags: and is in full of the Arrac farm ending the last November 1699.

Order'd that Fort St: David have Credit for Pags: 472: 32: 77 being so much paid into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash here by the President, for Custom due from Mocdum Nina at Cuddalore.

Harmon Bruinno was Entertain'd in the Gunroom the 24th: May last, and Charles Alleyn and Henry Green were on the 5th: Instant Discharg'd therefrom at their requests.

Land Customers Accots: for ye: mo: April read &

Mr: John Meverell read his land Custom Accot: for the month April last, ℘ticulars Vizt:

Choultry Custom	Pags:	474:	19:	40
Trivlecane Custom	„	—:	9:	40
Rubie Brokers	„	191:	24:	—
Cloth Brokers	„	6:	4:	20
Town Rents	„	10:	30:	60
Registring Slaves	„	1:	20:	—
	Pags:	685:	—:	—

Pags: 678 paid into Cash on that Accot: also 1000 Pags: by the Warehousekeeper. The Comps: Cash for May mo: read. Pags: 1000 Order'd the Paymr: Men Entertain'd in the Gunroom. Generall from Fort St: David read. No more Shirts to be made.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Six hundred Seventy eight Pagoda's on that accot: and Mr: Roger Braddyll warehousekeeper pays One thousand Pagodas on Account Goods sold.

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash for the month May last, the Ballance being Pags: 15974: 23.

Order'd that Pags: One thousand be paid Mr: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Order'd that Thomas Crum and Wm: James be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 29th: May last, read.

Order'd that no more Shirts be made then what cloth already deliver'd out for that purpose.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
RO: BRADDYLL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JUNE 1700*——.

The Governour and Councill sign'd the follow^{g}: Order Viz^{t}: SATURDAY 8

It is order'd by the Govr: & Councill that the Warehousekeeper permitts Serapa &c^{a}: Joint Stock Merchants to take out of the warehouse a Bale or two of each sort & number of Cloth that they complain off as to the Sorting of it, and let 'em carry it into the Consultation room, where the Govern^{r}: & Councill will meet and compare 'em with the Musters. A bale or two of each sort of Cloth to be compared with the Musters.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Deliver'd a Pass to Ship Acheen Merchant burthen Seventy Tonn Samuel Hart Comander bound on a trading Vayage to Bengall & Mocha. 8TH

Ship Gunnaputty arrived from Cocheen, Fran[cisco] Rebarah Master. 10

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY d^{o}:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT &	GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS	ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT	MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL	JOHN MEVERELL

Andrew Gate and John Child were Discharg'd the Gunroom and Stephen Couch the Garrison all on the 8th: Instant at their requests. Men Discharg'd the Garrison.

M^{r}: John Affleck in behalf of himself and severall Merchants of this Place, makeing this day a Proposition to the Govern^{r}: & Councill of takeing off Silver to the Amount of Fifty thousand Pagodas Certain, and not exceeding 70,000 Pagoda's, Conditionally, that a Europe Ship arrive by the 20th: Instant, and that he has then a Ship ready for China, or later to receive the Treasure if he requires it, and to pay the Company at the rate of Tenn Pag^{s}: for 17¼ weighty Dollars ; which Proposition is accepted. Proposition of takeing off Silver at 17¼ Doll^{s}: ℔ Ten Pag^{s}: accepted.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Governour & Councill sign'd the following Order Viz^{t}: TUESDAY 11TH

Whereas there lyes in the Companys Warehouse, about One thousand peices of turn'd out Long Cloth Ordinary, 'Tis propos'd by y^{e}: Govr: (there being a Ship ready to go for Manilha) to take the said Long Cloth, and he will oblige himself to redeliver to be sorted up to their present Musters for England, as many peices into the Companys Warehouse on, or before the 10th: of September next, the Joint Stock Merchants having agreed to itt, and is also agreed by us. Turn'd out Long Cloth to be recd: by the Govr: he delivering the like quantity, Good.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM^{s}: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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13 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 10th: Instant.

14 Ship Acheen Merchant Samuel Hart Com̃and^{r}: sail'd for Bengall.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of Yesterdays Date, with an order from hence to remain for any Com̃ander of any of the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Ships that shall arrive there.

15TH Deliver'd Passes to Ship Friendship burthen Sixty Tonn William Morrice Com̃ander bound to Surat & Persia, and to Ship Saram burthen Eighty Tonn Thomas Plumb Com̃ander bound to Junc Seilon, Quedda & Surat.

MONDAY 17 The Governour and Councill sign'd the following Order Viz^{t}:

Edwd: King late factor of the Comp^{a}: is p̃mitted to go to Metchlepatam: he giving Bond for his Debt to the Honble: Company.

M^{r}: Edward King requesting our leave to go to Metchlepatam, having Invitation to serve the new Company there, But he standing Indebted to the R^{t}: Honble: Company upon their Generall Books Pag^{s}: 73 : 23 : 2, It is Agreed he have leave given him to proceed to Metchlep^{m}: his Bond being taken for said Debt, which is Order'd to be remitted home, that it may be Deducted out of his Salary payable in England.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOM^{s}: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.

TUESDAY 18

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS ROGER BRADDYLL
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL

Pag^{s}: 1,051 paid into Cash for Moneys Levied towards building the black town wall & works.

The President pays into the R^{t}: H: Comp^{e}: Cash the Sum of One thousand fifty one Pagoda's being money Levied by order of the Governour and Councill on the Inhabitants of the black Town, for the Building of the Wall and what works shall be thought necessary for y^{e}: Defence and ecurity of the same. Wherefore 'tis order'd, that the Accomptant Arm's [*sic*] an Acco^{t}: thereof in the Companys Books, of what is or shall be paid in, under the head of, The Black Town Wall, & Works and that the Paymaster looks after the Building of the same, who is to follow the Directions from time to time of the Govern^{r}: and Councill and to them render a monthly Account thereof. And 'tis further Order'd that the Money already and what shall be collected be apply'd to that use and no other whatsoever.

Fort S^{t}: David bill Exchange order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Pag^{s}: Five hundred and fifty be paid the President, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David dated the 15th: May last.

Fine Moorees to be delivd: for Paintings.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper deliver out all the fine Moorees in the Godown for Paintings.

The Necauts from Bengal to be return'd thither again.

The Necauts sent from Bengall for the Planting of Mulberry Trees and breeding of Silk worms at Fort S^{t}: David being sent thither the 28th: August 1699 and no Silks worms being come from Bengall and to [℔ vent] any further charge, It is therefore resolved they have liberty to return to Bengall, and that Batty be allow'd for their Journey according to Agreement made with them by the Agent & Councill.

Ship Rubie to be Dispatch'd for Bengall with Redwood & Cables.

Order'd that Ship Rubie be forthwith Dispatch'd for Bengall, and that the Warehousekeeper Lade One hundred & twenty Candy of Redwood, and then the Storekeeper to Lade so many of the largest cables as she can take in.

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Order'd that the Storekeeper sell the Europe Cordage at 3 pag^{a}: ℔ hundred And the Warehousekeeper to make tryall at Outcry of the Perpetuanoes, but not to sell for less then five Pagoda's ℔ peice.

The Storekeeper to sell Cordage at 3 pag^{a}: ℔c. Tryall for selling Perpetuances at Outcry but not under 5 pag^{a}: ℔ p^{s}:

M^{r}: Frances Bett Prov^{l}: Storekeeper read his Acco^{ts}: for the month April last, and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash Three hundred Pag^{a}: for Stores Sold.

Storekeepers Acco^{t}: for April m^{o}: read, and 300 Pag^{a}: paid into Cash for stores sold.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 10th: Instant, read, wherein they desire money for carrying on their Investment lately made for Thirty thousand Pagoda's. Order'd that Seven Thousand Pagodas be deliv^{d}: the Warehousekeeper out of Cash and he Lade the same with ten peices Broad Cloth Ordinary and a bale of Aurora on board Ship Saram, she being suddainly design'd for that place.

Money desired at Fort S^{t}: David for their Investment. Pag^{a}: 7000 Order'd them for that purpose, with some Broad Cloth &c^{a}:

M^{r}: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager read his Acco^{t}: of Tobacco sold for the month April last, and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Three hundred Sixty one Pagodas on that account.

The Tobacco Managers Acco^{t}: for April month read and Pag^{a}: 361 paid into Cash on that acco^{t}.

Order'd that One thousand Pagoda's be paid M^{r}: Matthew Empson Paymaster to Defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^{a}: 1000 Order'd the Paym^{r}: for Garrison Charges.

M^{r}: Bezaleel Morrice factor requesting leave to be Discharg'd the R^{t}: Hon^{bls}: Comp^{s}: Service being desireous to return for England, It is accordingly granted him and his paper enter'd next after this Consultation.

Bezaleel Morrice Discharg'd ye: Comp^{s}: Service at his request.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To THE HON^{BLE}: THOMAS PITT, President &c^{a}: Councill.
Hon^{bls}: S^{r}: &c^{a}:

Having a desire to quitt the R^{t}. Honble: Companys Service to the intent of returning for England, my humble, and earnest request to your Hon^{r}: &c^{a}: is, that you will be pleased (my time according to Indenture being long since expired) now to grant me a Discharge. I am with all respect.

The request of Bezaleel Morrice to be Discharg'd the Comp^{s}: Service.

Honble: S^{r}: &c^{a}:
Your Obed^{t}: & hum^{ble}: Servt:
BEZALEEL MORRICE.

In Persuance of an Order of Consultation Dated, the 31st: May 1700, wee the Subscribers have met & summon'd the Joint-Stock Merchants, whose Objections to the Warehousekeepers Acco^{t}: and his Answers thereto are as followeth Viz^{t}:

Report of the Examination &c to the difference between the Warehouskeeper & Joint Stock Merchants about the sorting of their Calicoes.

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No: 3. Pags: 30: 27:— No: 4. Pags: 29: 18:— No: 5. Pags: 28: 9:—

Q. Whether the Merchants were satisfied with the prizes wee have put upon the Ordr: Long Cloth as in the Margent.

A. They are not Satisfied without wee make it at Nº: 2.

The warehousekeeper doth say that the Price of the Longcloth was made by the Govr: and Councill thô the Consultation was omitted to be Entred, to the best of his remembrance it was Pags: 30: 9 and accordingly it was Invoiced, but Mr: Mead saith it was Pags: 30: 27 Probably some of the Councill may remember something of it

Q. Concerning the Midling Longcloth whether they were contended with the difference of Pags: 3 between each number.

A They will not allow more then Pags: 1: 18 on the same

The warehousekeeper and Mr: Mead doth affirm, that when these Goods were sorted, they sent severall peices to the Governour, acquainting him what they cutt from No. 1 to 2 who returned answer, that they ought to have cutt more.

As to the Salampores Ordinary they will allow 18 fanams from Number to Number and no more.

Upon examination of Journall **RR** wee find some at Pags: 1: 18 Pags: 1 & 18 fanams, thô wee are apprehensive there is a mistake in the Contract and that Pags: 14: 18 is put upon the Second Nº: which ought to have been Pags: 15: 18 and the 3d: number Pags: 14: 18 the first being Pags: 16: 18.

The Ordinary Moores cutt Pags: 1: 18 between Sort and Sort they are not Satisfied with, but would have fans: 27 cutt; when it is apparent that the Weavers allowed Pags: 2 between Nº: 9 & Nº: 8, and Nº: 8 & Nº: 7 without Grumbling.

As to the Long Cloth fine they Object against Pags: 5 abatement between Nº: & Nº: and are willing to allow but Pags: 3 and whereas wee find the Ginghams of 40 coveds long valued at Pags: 65℔ Corge & Pags: 5 cutt from the highest to the lowest Nº: gradually.

The Salampores fine is cutt Pags: 2 between Nº: & Nº: and they are against allowing more than Pags: one.

The warehousekeeper saith there hath been none of these sorts for many years and that the difference was cutt according to other Cloth of the same Nature, as fine Moores of Pags: 36 was cutt Pags: 3 and those of Pags: 20 ℔ Corge Pags: 1: 18 and these being at Pags: 29 was cutt as above.

The Merchants Object nothing against the fine Moorees, there being cutt but Pags: 3 between each number, thô wee find by the Generall books they have been cutt Pags: 4: 18 of which the warehousekeeper doth declare his ignorance.

Concerning the 40 Coved Gingham, Serapah doth alledge there is two sorts cleverly gone Vizt: No. 35 & 35℔s to the first wee find none, and the latter but few in Journall **RR** the warehousekeeper doth say they were sorted according to muster, and beleives they are all gone home, wishing that Serapa had made his complaint before, that they might have been Examin'd.

As to the 16 Coved Gingham, Serapa doth alledge the same as those of 40 Coveds and the Warehousekeeper gives the same answer.

The Succatoms he Objects the same as he doth for the Ginghams, and farther saith, that whereas they cutt Pags: 5 between Nº: & Nº: they ought to cut but Pags: 2: 18. The Warehousekeeper saith there is 3 bales in the Warehouse, and desires they may be open'd and compar'd with the Muster, there being no more cutt then there is in the other Goods of the like value.

To the 40 & 50 Coved Betteela's and Chints they have no Objection.

For the Oringall Betteela's they Object against the cutting Pags: 5 between Nº & Nº: and say they will allow no more then Pags: 2: 18. The Warehousekeeper answers, they are cutt according to Cloth of the like Value.

The valuation of the Long Cloth &cs: wee refer untill it all comes from the Washerman's.

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As to Stating the Merchants Acco^{t}: wee defer till the Govr: & Councill has perused and determined the Premention'd Articles Dated in Fort S^{t}: George this 5th: June 1700.

FRANCIS ELLIS.
ROGER BRADDYLL.
THOM^{S}: WRIGHT.

Ship Friendship William Morrice Comander saild for Surat. 20
Ship Tryall Richard Bush Master arrived from Persia, and Prince Charles 21
[*Lacuna in the original*] from Tringombar.

Received this day ℔ Pattamar the following Generall Letters Viz^{t}: from the Agent &c^{a}: at Bengall dated 27th: March last, with copy of theirs dated 7 & 12th: ditto from Vizagapatam dated 17th: May last, with Acco^{t}: Cash for months March and April last: also from M^{r}: Saml: Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the ℔^{mo}: Ins^{t}: and copy of another (the Original not before received) dated the 4th: April last.

Ship Gunnaputty Francisco Rebarah Mast^{r}: sail'd for Bengall. 22
Ship Enattaly Abdula Ryhim Noqueda sail'd for Bengall.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXT^{RY}: SATURDAY 22D.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS
MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly Summon'd.

Copy Generall Letter from M^{r}: Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 14th: April (the Original not being received) and another dated ℔^{mo}: Instant: also from Vizagapatam dated the 17th: May and from Bengall dated 27th: March last received ℔ Pattamar, all read. Letters received, read.

The Paymaster is Order'd to provide Necessarys for the Hospitall according to a List now produc'd. Necessarys to be provided for ye: Hospitall.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Deliver'd a Pass to Ship Loyall Captain burthen about Two hundred Tonn John Tyler Comand^{r}: bound to Surat & Persia. 25

Deliver'd a Pass to Sloop Rawratoon burthen Thirty tonn Codju Syrang bound to Pegu. 26

Yesterday Ship Saram Thomas Plumb Com^{r}: sail'd for Fort S^{t}: David, by whom sent a Generall Letter of the 24th: Instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading of Treasure &c^{a}: laden on her amounting to Pag^{s}: 7248 : 8 : 3.

Ship Loyall Captain John Tyler Comander sail'd for Surat & Persia. ℔^{mo}: JULY
Ship Howland Capt: William Powers Com^{r}: arrived from England. 2

—— *FORT ST GEORGE, JULY 1700* ——

TUESDAY [2ND]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly Summond

The Comps: Pacquet ℔ Howland open'd & read.

Ship Howland being this day arrived, the Pacquet from the Rt: Honr: Company was open'd and found to contain as ℔ List enter'd next after this consultation: also their Generall Letters dated the 30th: December 1699, 20th: January & 20th: & 25th: January $\frac{1699}{700}$ all read.

Treasure &ca: ℔ Howland to be unloaden.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper unlade the Treasure &ca: Goods on Ship Howland with all expedition.

The Silver to be deliver'd Mr: Jno: Affleck &ca: in persuance of a former Agreemeet.

Order'd that the Silver be deliver'd Mr: Affleck &ca: Merchants according to Agreement in Consultation dated the 10th: June last.

Men Discharg'd the Gunroom.

Joseph Antonio on the 25th: June and Mathius Estrail this day are Discharg'd the Gunroom.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LIST OF THE COMPANYS PACQUET TO THE FORT BY THE SHIP HOWLAND.

No:

1. Companys Generall to the Fort dated the 20th: day of December 1699.
2. Copy of the Companys Generall to the Fort dated 21st: November 1699, sent by the King William.
3. Copy of the Comps: Generall to Fort St: Davids, dated the 21st: November 1699, to be forwarded thither, sent under a flying seal for your perusall & takeing copy of.
4. Invoice of the Howland.
5. Bill Lading of the said Ship.
6. Charterparty of ditto.
7. Copy of the Kings Comission for takeing Pirats.
8. Auditor Generalls Letter dat: the 19th: day of Decr: 1699.
9. St: Helena Generall dated the 20th: day of Decr: 1699, to be forwarded thither by the first good conveyance.
10. Copy of the Companys Generall to President Pitt dated 21st: November 1699.
11. A List of Bills of Exchange drawn on ye: Presidt: & Councill.

4 Ship Fortune James Lock saild for Bengall.
5 Ship Noss Senhora Rosairo Anthony Norangy Master sail'd for Manilha.
7 Ship Prince Charles Fredrick Bloom Comandr: saild for China.

——— *FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1700* ———

Monday 8

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour

Thomas Wright Matthew Empson

Thom^{s}: Marshall

The Councill being duly Sumon'd

Messrs: Ellis & Meverell *Indispos'd*

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^{s}: 1000, Order'd the Paym^{r}: for Garrison Charges.

Whereas in the 11th: Parag: of the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: Letter dated 21st: November 1699, they severely censure M^{r}: Braddyll for the reasons therein mention'd, and leaveing it to us, either by a temporary or Totall suspention to act what seems most expedient. It is therefore order'd that the Secretary shew him the clause & report his answer, he not attending last Consultation nor this day.

Mr: Braddyll blam'd by ye: Comp^{s}: His suspention or Dismission left to this place.

Whereas there are seven chests & upwards of Ingott Silver, It is Order'd that the Warehousekeeper deliver it into the Mint to be coin'd into Rupees with all speed.

Silver to be coin'd into Rupees.

Doud Cawn having wrote the Governour to buy him some Liquors, and supposeing his Interest may be of advantage to the Company in these parts, It is Ordered that six Dozen of french Brandy, six Cases of Spirits and two Chests of Syrash be provided, and the Paymaster to pay for the same.

Doud Cawn writing for Liquors, a supply is order'd him.

Order'd that the following Bills be paid when Demanded & Due, being drawn on us by the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Company as advis'd in their Letter dated the 30th: December 1699 Viz^{t}:

Severall bills of Exchange from the Comp^{a}: order'd to be paid.

One dated 14th: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to Henry Whistler Esqr: or Order for Eleven hundred Pag^{s}.

One dat: 18th: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to M^{r}: Jno: Bull or Order for Eleven hundred eleven Pagodas & four fanams.

One dat: 18th: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to M^{r}: Jno: Bull or Order for Two hundred seventy five Pag^{s}: Twenty two fanams & Two Cash.

One dat: 18th: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to M^{r}: Ozmond De Beauvoir and in case of Mortality to M^{r}: Daniel Chardin & Jno: Meverell or either of them for Two thousand two hundred Sixty Six Pagodas & Twenty four fanams.

One dat: 19th: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to M^{r}: Ozmond De Beauvoir for Twelve hundred fifty nine Pagodas and nine fanam's.

One dat: 21st: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to M^{r}: Ozmond De Beauvoir for Two hundred fifty one Pagoda's, Thirty fanams & four Cash.

One dat: 19th: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to M^{r}: Abrah: Houblon or Order for Two hundred-twenty two Pagoda's.

One dat: 20th: Dec^{r}: 1699, payable to M^{r}: Edward Bulkley or Order for One hundred twenty five Pagoda's.

One dat: 29th: Dec^{r}: 1699 payable to M^{r}: Benjamin Bridger or in his absence to M^{r}: Gulston Addison for Thirteen hundred twenty one Pagoda's and four fanams.

One dat: 30th: Dec^{r}: 1699 payable to Gulston Addison or order for Eight hundred and Eighty Pagoda's.

Generall Letters to Bengall and Vizagapat^{m}: of this date read and approved.

Letters sent, read.

It is resolved that Ship Rubie in her way to Bengall be Ordered to call a Vizagapatam, and that Ten thousand Pagoda's be sent by her for that Place, to put them in a forwardness with their Investment against the Howlands arrival.

Ship Rubie to call at Vizagapm: for delivery of Treasure.

[8TH]

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1700——

Edwd: Rawdon late Essaymr: to deliver up the Mint Utensills to persons appointed by the Comps: Essaymasters.

Orderd that Mr: Edward Rawdon who was Entertain'd Essaymaster in the room of Mr: Stone be Discharg'd, and that he do deliver all the Mint Utensills in his possession, to Messrs: John and ffrancis Cook, appointed by the Rt: Honr: Company for that Employ.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
Thom: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TUESDAY 9TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT MATT: EMPSON
THOMS: MARSHALL

The Councill being duly Sumond
MESSRS: ELLIS & MEVERELL *Indispos'd*

Sea Custom Accots: for May mo: read &

Mr: Thomas Wright Sea Customer read his Accots: for the month May, particulars Vizt:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month	Pa:	4119:	9:	5
To Custom on Grain	„	374:	5:	1
To Anchorage	„	54:	—:	—
Pags:		4,547:	15:	0

Paye 2000 Pags: into Cash on that Accot:

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Two thousand Pagoda's on that Account.

Mint Accot: for May mo: read &

The President read his Mint Acco: for the month May last, particulars Vizt:

Pags 266: 16 pd: into Cash on that accot: also Pags: 103 on Accot: of the black town Wall.

To Custom on Gold coin'd in ye: Mint Pa: 266: 16: [0] which being the Ballance of that month, is now paid into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash, and the President likewise pays One hundred and three Pagoda's on Acco: of the Black Town Wall.

The Tobacco farmers pays into Cash 350 pags: on that accot; Paymasters accot: for May mo: read

Vencatee Kisna &cs: late Tobacco farmers pays into the Rt: Honr: Comps: cash Three hundred & fifty Pagoda's on that Account.

Mr: Matthew Empson read his Paymrs: Accounts for the month May last, Particulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1017:	22	
Diet	„	295:	—	
Charges Generall	„	306:	22	
Cattle	„	14:	26	
Factors Provisions	„	124:	35	
Charges Extraordinary	„	7:	10	
West Coast	„	110:	—	
Fortifications & Repairs	„	47:	25	
Pags:		1923:	32	

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In persuance of yesterdays Consultation, the Secretary accordingly attended on Mr: Braddyll, who reports, that after perusall of the Entry in Consultation, return'd for answer, he had nothing to do with it, and was suddainly design'd for England. Upon which, It is resolved in persuance of the 11th: Parag: of the Companys General Letter dated the 21st: Novr: 1699 that Mr: Roger Braddyll be Dismised their Service, adjusting all accots: of ye: warehouse and deliver over the charge to Mr: Thomas Wright, who at the end of this month is to deliver the charge of the Sea Custom house to Mr: Matthew Empson, and that then Mr: Empson deliver the Paymasters Employ to Mr: Thomas Marshall.

Mr: Braddyll dismis'd the Camps: Service.

Warehousekeeper, Sea—Custmer & Paymaster appointed

The Warehousekeeper is Ordered to Lade on board Ship Howland Twenty four Ton of Redwood and Sixty four Ton of Salt-petre, the proportion mention'd in said ships Charterparty.

Ship Howland's Charterparty of Redwood and Saltpetre to be Laden.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The two preceeding Consultations were sent to Messrs: Ellis and Meverell for perusall, indisposition hindring their attendance, which were also approv'd by them. 10

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 11

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
Ms: ELLIS *Indispos'd*

Mr: John Meverell read his Land Custom Accots: for the month May last, particulars Vizt:

Land Custom Acots: for May mo: read &

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	Pa:	590:	11: 65
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	..	,,	—:	3: 40
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	,,	100:	35: 15
Cloth Brokers	...	...	...	...	,,	13:	13: 40
Grass Cutters	...	...	...	...	,,	12:	—: —
Town Rents	...	...	...	...	,,	8:	14: 48
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	,,	—:	24: —
					Pags:	725:	30: 48

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Seven hundred & Eighteen Pagoda's on that account.

Pags: 718 paid into Cash on accot: Land Customs. Comps: Accot: Cash for June Mo: and the Secretary's Accot: Fees both read. Letter to Fort St: Davia read.

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Honble; Comps: Cash for the month June last, the Ballance being Pags: 13383: 25: 5 and Charles Bugden Secretary read his Accot: Fees for Passes for ditto month amot: to Seventeen Pagodas, and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Pags: 12: 24 their part.

Generall Letter to Fort St: David of yesterdays date, read and sign'd.

The Warehousekeeper is Order'd to buy up Two hundred Candy Red-wood at the cheapest rate he can, for a Store.

A Store of Redwood to to be bought.

[11TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1700* ——

Pags: 55000 paid into Cash for Silver &c: sold. Money to be deliverd: the Warehousekeeper for Metchlepm: The Settlement of Metchlepm: & Madapollam discours'd on.

Mr: Roger Braddyll late warehousekeeper (by his Conicopley) pays into the Rt: H: Comps: cash Fifty five thousand Pagoda's on Accot: Silver and Goods sold.

Order'd that the President deliver the Warehousekeeper Twentyfive thousand Pags: to be in readiness for Metchlepatam.

Discours'd on the Companys Affairs to be Settled at Metchlepatam & Maddapollam and the further resolution defer'd till tomorrow.

Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

11 Last night Mr: James Eustace factor deceas'd having lain 10 or 12 daies with a violent feavor and bloody flux, and this evening was interred.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort St: David of Yesterdays date, incloseing, other papers as ℔r List.

12 Ship Rubie Zachariah Stilgo Master Sail'd for Vizagapatam and Bengall, by which sent Generall Letter dated 8th: Instant to the Cheif &ca: of the former place, with Invoice and Bill Lading for Ten thousand Pagoda's, and Generall Letter of ditto date to the President &ca: Councill of Bengall, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for Sundrys Amot: to Pags: 1834: 17: [3] with other papers as ℔ List.

Friday 12 Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson
Thoms: Marshall
John Meverell
John Foquett

Ma: Ellis *indispos'd*

Mr: John Foquett chosen of Councill of this place.

There being a Vacancy by Mr: Braddylls late Dismision, and the Rt: Honble Comps: having in the 8th Parag: of their Letter dated 20th: Decr: 1699 recommended Mr: John Foquet. Wherefore 'tis resolved he be Sixth and last of Councill of this place, so being sent for, hee took his place accordingly.

The Settlement of the Govern: factorys agreed on.

Whereas it has been often debated in this Councill (as by the foregoing Consultations appears) the Settlement of the Rt: Honr: Comps: ffactorys at Metchlepatam and Madapollam, they having in severall of their General Letters to this place, possitively order'd us to send'em what Goods procureable and those parts afford, which having hitherto endeavour'd, by sending Messrs: Lovell and Woolston, who acted by Comission and made Investments to a considerable amot: In the management of which, wee have not only reason to suspect their Integrity, but are likewise jealous, that they have betrayed the Interest and honour of our Masters, in truckling and submitting to the Insults of Sr: William Norris and Mr: John Pitt the new Companys Ambassador and Consull, they pretending, that wee are not to correspond with the Government to preserve our Masters Privileges, which hath been purchased by them at vast Expence, and which wee esteem the most valuable part of their Estate.

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The Ambassador has not only presum'd to command Mr: Lovell by papers under his hand, to Desist from makeing applycation to the Government for the preserveing our Privileges, but threatned him with Irons, if he should attempt the same as ℔ his Affidavit of this Date.

Wherefore for the foregoing reasons, and in persuance to our Masters Orders to make them Investments in those parts, we resolved to settle a Cheif and Councill in each place, and make our ffactorys as formidable as possible in order to preserve our Masters Intrest and to protect the persons of their servants from any injustices that shall be attempted to be done to them by the new Companys servants resideing in those parts, and the persons Elected by us for the management of this Affair are Vizt:

For Metchlepatam—

Mr: JOHN FOQUETT CHEIF.
Mr: JOSEPH HILLER SECOND.
Mr: THOMs: FAUCETT 3D: & DOCTOR.
Mr: JOHN ROWLAND 4TH: & LAST OF COUNCILL.

For Madapollam—

Mr: STEPHEN FREWEN CHEIF & SECOND OF METCHLEPATAM.
Mr: EDMUND BUGDEN SECOND.
Mr: JEREMIAH HARRISON THIRD.

Jeremiah Harrison entertain'd a Factor.

Mr: Jeremiah Harrison being an ingenious and industrous man, wee have entertain'd him a ffactor in the Rt: Honble: Comps: Service for five years, he signing the usual Bonds, and have order'd him to write to his friends in England to give the usual security, provided the Company approves of him.

The persons for Settlemt: of the Northern Factorys to get ready for Embarqueing themselves.

Tis Order'd that the foregoing persons provide themselves for their takeing their Passage on Ship Howland, who is to be Dispatch'd with all speed; and that the Warehousekeeper and Paymaster provides the Presents &c: Necessarys as agreed on by List enter'd next after this Consultation.

And considering the new Company hath a great many people in those parts, who there as well as in all other places, have stuck at nothing whereby they could prejudice our Masters, either in their Estate or their reputation, wee think it necessary and resolve the same, to send Twenty four Soldiers, with a Lieutenant, Serjant and Corporall to be at the Command of the Cheif and Councill of Metchlepatam.

Kittee Narrain to proceed to the Northard being acquainted with those parts & for his good services to ye: Comps: is exempted paying the Pedde Naigue & Pags: Duty, as by a Cowle granted him.

And whereas Kittee Narrain, who has been an ancient servant of the Companys not only in this place, but likewise in Metchlepatam and those parts, and have been always ready to go upon any Expedition in the Comps: Service, and at this time wee being assured his going to Metchlepatam will very much facilitate the many Difficultys wee may meet with there, wee now sent for him, who readily accepted of the Service, giveing us all possible assureances of his Integrity and Diligence, for which as a mark of the Rt: Honble: Companys favour, wee have at his request Granted him a Cowle for Exempting him from paying the Pedde Naigue and Pagoda Duty, dureing the Life of himself and his son Timapah (as ℔ the form enter'd after this Consultation) and order that the Paymaster pay him One hundred Pagodas for defraying his Charges, whereof he is to give an Acco: at his return.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMs: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

[12TH]

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PRESENTS AND NECESSARYS FOR METCHLEPT: AND MADDAPOLLAM VIZT:

Gold Chains to the Value of Four hundred Pagoda's.	
Corrall beads Large, Two hundred Pagoda's.	
Sword blades	20
Rosewater	4 Chests
Looking Glasses severall sizes	30
Ditto small	40
Knives	100
Spirits	10 Cases
Hubble-bubbles flintware	30
Basons & Ewers	20
Rosewater bottles	30 Ps:
Rarities of flint ware	20 lbs:
Perpetuanoes red, fine and course	20 Ps:
Crimson fine	4
China Silk	6
Spectacles	2 Doz.
Hour Glasses	4
Standards and flag—staffs with rigging	2

NECESSARY'S AND PROVISIONS.

Plate for the ffactory.	
Beetle box	1
Rosewater bottles	2
Pigdans	2
Plates	6
Spoons	6
talankeen and furniture	
Wax	10 Md:
Clarret	1 Chest
Canary	1 do:
Syrash	4 do:
Arrac	1 hhd:
Sugar	2 bales
English beer	2 hhds:
Cheeses	2
Persia fruit of each sort	1 Md:
Table Necessarys	
Factors Provisions	
The Comps: Seal for Maddapollam	
For Metchlepatam Vizt:	
Paper large book	4 Quire
Second Sort	4
Third do:	6
Small do:	[1]
Quills	200
Sealing wax	12 sticks

The like quantity of Factors Provisions for Maddapollam.

A COWLE GIVEN BY THOMAS PITT ESQR: GOVERNOUR OF FORT ST: GEORGE &C: COUNCILL FOR AFFAIRS OF THE RT: HONBLE: EAST INDIA COMPANY TO KITTEE NARRAIN.

Wee takeing into our Considerations the many good Services formerly done by Kittee Narrain for the Rt: Honble: Company, and his readiness at our desire to proceed at this time to Metchlepatam and Maddapollam to give his assistance in settleing their affairs there, for which he desires no other gratification then to be excused from paying any other Duty more than the five ℔ Cent custom as the

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Armenians and Portuguez are. Wee therefore for the reasons before mention'd, do exempt the said Kittee Narrain and his son Timapah dureing their two Lives, from paying otherwise than before mention'd, and Order that no more custom be collected of them, than five Cent. Given under our hands and the seal of the Rt: H: Compa: this 12th: day of July Ano: Dom: 1700.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMS: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JNO: MEVERELL.
JOHN FOQUETT.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 16TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
MR: THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MESSRS: ELLIS and FOQUETT *indispos'd*

Mr: Roger Braddyll late warehousekeeper (by his conicopley) pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Fourteen thousand Pagodas on account Silver sold, and Mr: Thomas Wright pays One thousand Pagodas on Acco: Sea—Custom's. Pags: 14000 paid into Cash for Goods sold, Out of ye: Warehouse & Pags: 1000 on Acct: Sea—customs.

Order'd that one thousand Pagoda's be paid Mr: Matthew Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison. Pags: 1000 order'd the Paymaster for defraying Garrison Charges.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The President received a Letter from the Dep: Governour of Fort St: David, adviseing the arrival of Ship Colchester there from England on the 14th: Instant, and that the old Company were incorporated upon their subscription of £ 315000 with the new Company, and that by Act of Parliament. 17

Sloop Quintus John Bantam Master saild for Tringombar. 18

Ship Anna Capt: William Bridges Comander arrived from England, and the Govr: & Councill being present at the opening the Pacquet, the same was read and found to contain as ℔ List Vizt:

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LIST OF THE COMP^{S} : PACQUET TO FORT S^{T}: GEORGE BY THE ANNA.

N^{O}:

1. Comp^{s} : Genl : to the Fort dated the 6th : March 1699.
2. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Generall to d^{o} : Dated 20th : Dec^{r} : 1699.
3. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Genl : to d^{o} : dat : 5th : Jan^{ry} : 1699.
4. Copy of the Secretarys Letter to d^{o}: dat : 20th : & 25th : d^{o} : January 1699.
5. List of Utensills for the Coinage at Fort S^{t} : George.
6. Auditor Generalls Letter to Fort S^{t} : George dated 19th : December 1699.
7. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Genl : to Fort S^{t} : Davids dated 21st : November 99 to be forwarded thither.
8. Copy of the Bill for continuing the Company a Corporation.
9. Copy of the Bill for the more Effectuall Employment of the Poor, being a Bill for prohibiting the wear of wrought Silks Bengalls & stuffs mixed, with Herba or Silk of the Manufacture of Persia China or East India & all Calicoes painted, dyed, printed or stained there.

20TH Ship Colchester Capt: Benjamin Rous Com^{r} : arrived from England, and having touch'd at Fort S^{t} : David brought Generall Letter from the Dep : Governour &c^{a} : Councill dated 17th : Instant, with Invoice & Bill Lading for Twenty five bales Calicoes amount to Pag^{s} : 1550 : 7 : 3.

SATURDAY d^{o} : ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraord^{y}* :

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOM^{S} : WRIGHT
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MESS^{RS} : ELLIS, EMPSON & FOQUETT *Sick*

Pag : 6387 : 13 : 60 paid into Cash for Silver Sold.

M^{r} : Roger Braddyll late warehousekeep^{r} : (by his Conicopley) pays into the R^{t} : Hon^{r} : Comp^{a} : cash Six thousand three hundred eighty seven Pagoda's 13 fan^{s} : 60 ca : Acco^{t} : Silver Sold.

Comander of Ship Anna delivers a paper complaining of Soldiers being mutinous.

Cap : William Bridges Comander of Ship Anna presenting a Paper (as enter'd after this consultation) to the Govern^{r} : and Councill setting forth some disturbances he had on board with some of the souldiers and sailors, which tending to Mutiny; and being advised that the Comp^{s} : souldiers are very full of the scurvey and sickley, It is resolved that the Paymaster send for the souldiers ashore in order to Examine into the matter of this complaint and to refresh those that are sick.

The Presses for coinage to be brought ashore.

Order'd that one of the Essaymasters go on board the Anna with the copy of the Invoice of the Presses for Coinage, in order to bring them ashore.

Ship Anna to stay in the road no longer than for ye : refreshmt : of her men.

Resolved that Capt : Bridges be advis'd the Companys Orders for his staying no longer in the road then the delivery of the Presses, and for takeing in of water and refreshing of his men, being much down with the scurvey.

Pacquet from England ꝑ Colchester open'd.

The Companys Pacquet ꝑ Ship Colchester being open'd was read and found to contain Viz^{t} :

Comp^{s} : Genl : to Fort S^{t} : George dat : 23^{d} : Feb^{ry} : $\frac{6\,6\,6}{7\,0\,0}$.
Copy Ditto dated 5th : January $\frac{1\,6\,6\,6}{7\,0\,0}$.
Copy of the Bill for continuing the Comp^{s} : a Corporation.

Calicoes 25 bales ꝑ sd: Ship from Fort S^{t} : David to be unladen.

Said Ship touching at Fort S^{t} : David brought Generall Letter from the Dep : Govern^{r} : &c^{a} : Councill dated the 17th : Instant which was read, and adviseing

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their having put on board Twenty five bales calicoes &c^{a}: for this place, The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the same.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Hon^{d}: S^{r}: &c^{a}: Councill.

In, or about the 13th: of July 1700 one of my Sea-men Richard Cook committing a Misdeameanour, by Knocking down one Lovelace Green Midsp: had rais'd a bump on his forehead as big as an Egg and in some other parts of his Body: upon which I order'd the said Richard Cook to be seiz'd to the Gangway; One Lewis a souldier who then standing by this Cook and seeing his hand seiz'd, swore God dam him he wo^{d}: cut him loose and Imediately before my face did so, thô: I desired him not to concern himself in any such cases, with this, I order'd him to be seiz'd on the other side, in which time of standing there till the Irons and hand Cuffs were ready, he abus'd me very grosely, cal'd me villain and dam him desired but one minute time and he wo^{d}: do my business. These abuses were heard before the face of my Officers and Sea-men. After having secur'd them both, I order'd one of my Sea-men whose name is Nathl: Bearor to take hold of them, to help them down on the Deck and he refus'd my comand and would not touch them, on which I order'd him to be seiz'd to the Gangway, intending to have him drub'd, but he not being very well, I remitted doing of, but in the time of his standing, it was heard spoke by one Gardner a Seaman, should say that if I had him drub'd, I should Drub all of them: this being heard by M^{r}: John Robinson, I had an account given me by my Boats: and Carpenter, that some of my Seamen when night came on, sett the Prisoners at liberty, and that I must have a care of further mischeif, for there was Souldiers and Seamen concern'd to sett them loose, upon which I was forced to secure my Gunroom and Steeridge. I took off their hand cuffs that very evening, and that very night broke their Irons from their Leggs and hove them overboard: about midnight my Cheif mate told me of it, so I secured them again. My humble request to your hon^{r}: for the safety of the Honble: Companys Treasure, as also for the safety of the ship in severall accidents that this Lewis the souldier may not remain any longer on board, for who knows but in my going down to the Bay, but I may meet a Pirat, and such a fellow as this which sticks at nothing but ready for all mischeif when the first oppertunity will permit is of ill consequence. I am

The Comander of Ship Anns paper of complaint about a Mutiny he is apprehensive.

Yo^{r}: Hon^{rs}: most hum^{ble}: Servt:
to Comand
W^{m}: BRIDGES.

Anna Madrass Road
July the 18th: 1700.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 22D

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^{S} MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MESS^{RS}: ELLIS AND FOQUETT *indispos'd*

The Comander of Ship Howland wanting Fifty five Tonn Saltpetre more then Charterparty proportion as ℔ his request (Enter'd next after this Consultation) It is order'd that the same be Laden on board.

Saltpetre 55 Ton Laden on Ship Howland more than charterparty.

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Pags: 500 paid into Cash by the Arrac farmers. Wm: Lewis the Soldier who caus'd the disturbance on board the Anna, examin'd.

Peter de Pomera &cª: Arrac farmers pays into the Rt: Honble: Compª: cash Five hundred Pagoda's on that Account for two months ending the 14th: May last.

William Lewis was this day brought before us, being the Souldier Capt: Bridges complain'd of, who being Examin'd as also severall persons belonging to the Ship it appear'd, that hee behav'd himself very Mutinous and turbulent on board, as also that he gave very insolent Language to the Captain, for which wee have sent him to Prison, intending to make an Example of him for the same, to deter others from doing the like.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HONBLE: THOMAS PITT, ESQR: PRESIDENT &CA: COUNCILL

Srs:

The Comr. of Ship Howlands requst for 55 Ton Saltpetre more than Charterparty.

Having taken in my proportion of Saltpetre allow'd by Charterparty, and finding my Ship want Fifty five Tonn more to make her sail-worthy, I desire that quantity may be spared upon the term's according to Charterparty.

Srs:
Yor: Most humb: Servs:
WM: PROWER.

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THURSDAY 25TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
JOHN FOQUETT
MESSRS: ELLIS & EMPSON *indispos'd*

Paper to be bought by the Paymaster.

There being want of Factors Provisions for the use of this and the Supply of the Subordinate ffactorys, The Paymaster is Order'd to pay for Thirty Seven Rheam paper of Sevl: Sizes amount to Ninety Pagoda's.

Two Pirats from Fort St: David to be kept in the Marshalls custody.

The Dep: Governr: and Councill of Fort St: David having by Ship Colchester, sent two men said to be Pirats, Order'd that they be brot: ashore and put in the Marshalls custody.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

26 Sloop Chintadry Mussa Nina Noqueda saild for Arraccan.

SATURDAY 27

ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraordy*:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly summond

MESSRS: ELLIS & EMPSON *sick*

Pags: 72: 11 paid into Cash on accot: Court fees.

Mr: Henry Dobyns Register produces an Acct: Fees of the Court of Admiralty comenceing the 5th: August 1699 to this day, Amount to Pags: 72: 11 which he now pays into the Rt: Honble: Compª: cash.

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Instructions for the management of the Comps: Affairs at the Northern factorys &c^{a}: papers read.

Instructions to M^{r}: John Foquett Cheif of Metchlepatam, M^{r}: Stephen Frewen Cheif of Maddapollam and the Councills to both places, proceeding ℔ Ship Howland. Genl: Letter to M^{r}: Samuel Woolston, to the Cheif &c^{a}: Councill at Vizagapatam, and the Presid^{ts}: Letters to the Governours of Metchlepatam & Maddapollam all of this date, read and approv'd.

Bill of Exchange from Fort S^{t}: David, order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Pag^{s}: One hundred be paid the President, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill at Fort S^{t}: David dated the 9th: Instant.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 29TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL JOHN FOQUETT
M^{s}: ELLIS AND M^{s}: EMPSON *sick*

Quit Rent & Scavengers Acco^{ts}: to this day produced. Pag^{s}: 683: 23 p^{d}: into Cash on Acco^{t}: Qnit Rents. Both acco^{ts}: deliver'd over to M^{r}: Nett.

M^{r}: John Foquett produces his Acco^{ts}: of the Quitt Rents & Scavengers Duty to this day, and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash Six hundred Eighty three Pagodas & 23 fanams on Acco^{t}: Quit Rents; and delivers the Account and pays the Ballance of the Scavengers Duty to M^{r}: Francis Bett being Pag^{a}: 186: 35: 0.

Letter to Bengall & Dispatches to Ships Anna & Colchester all sign'd.

General Letter to Bengall of yesterdays date, Dispatches to Ships Anna and Colchester bound for Bengall, and Howland for Metchlepatam all read, approv'd & signed.

Pags: 683: 23 order'd the Paym^{r}: for Garrison expences.

Order'd that Pag^{s}: 683: 23 be paid M^{r}: Matt: Empson Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

30TH

Ship King William Capt: John Braddyll arriv'd from England, and touching at the Mauritius, found there Ship Scepter Capt: Phenny, who by his Letter to the President, advises that they arrived there the 10th: June last, having been 3 m^{o}: 5 d^{s}: Dispatch'd from Bencoolen, that they were within 200 Leagues of the Cape of Goodhope, but proving Leakey and meeting with very violent storms, they bore away for the Mauritius.

This evening the Comanders of the Howland, Anna & Colchester Embarqu'd on board their respective Ships, as also Messrs: Foquett, Frewen, Hiller, Faucet, Bugden and Harrison, who all took their Passage on the Howland for Metchlepatam, being sent thither Cheifs and of Councill to that and Maddapollam ffactorys, as by the Instruction &c^{a}: Papers deliver'd M^{r}: Foquett.

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TUESDAY [30TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MESSRS: ELLIS & EMPSON *indispos'd*

The Pacquet ℔ King William from England open'd.

The Rt: Honble: Companys Pacquet ℔ Ship King William being open'd, was found to contain as ℔ list enter'd next after this Consultatn: and their General Letter dated the 21st: Novr: 1699 and General Letter from St: William Hodges & Comps: dated 11th: January last at Cadiz, read, which inclosed Invoice for thirty five chests treasure Laden on board the K William, also received Invoice for 35 chests treasure Laden on ditto Ship by Benjamin Ash &ca: but no Letter of advice therewith.

The Treasure &ca: ℔ K Wm: to be unladen.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the Treasure by Ship K William, and 373 Pigs Lead, continuing the rest for Metchlepatam and Vizagapatam.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

N°: List of the Pacquet to Fort St: George ℔ King William.

1. Companys Generall to Fort St: George Dated the 21st: November 1699.
2. Comps: Generall to the Presidt: of the same date.
3. Copy Comps: Genl: to Fort St: George dated the 15th: December & 6th: Janry: ℔ Neptune & Scepter.
4. Invoice of the Ship King William.
5. Bill Lading of ditto Ship.
6. Copy of ditto Ships Charterparty.
7. Comps: Generall to Fort St: Davids Dated 21st: Novr: 1699, sent under a flying seal for your peruseall and takeing copy.
8. Copy of the Kings Comission for takeing Pirats.
9. Comps: Generall to the Fort sent open to Cadiz, wherein Invoice & Bill of Lading is to be inclosed for £. 70000 in Bullion.

WEDNESDAY 31st

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTH: EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MR: ELLIS *indispos'd*

The King William in her way to Bengall to call at the Northern factorys to Deliver Treasure &ca: & What Money order'd for the Northern factorys.

Wee resolveing to Dispatch Ship K. William for Bengall with all expedition, It's resolved that in her Passage she call at Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam, delivering 150 Piggs Lead & Ten thousand Pagodas at the former Place, & 150 piggs Lead with Twenty thousand Rupees at the latter.

Order'd that the President delivers the Warehousekeeper Ten thousand Pagoda's to send to Metchlepatam by Ship King William and that he also send Twenty thousand Rupees for Vizagapatam.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1700—— [31ST]

Mr: Roger Braddyll late Warehousekeeper (by his Conicopley) pays into the Rt: Honr: Comps: Cash Six thousand Pagoda's on accot: Silver sold, and Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper Six thousand Pagoda's on the like account. Pags: 12,000 paid into Cash for Silver sold.

Whereas wee formerly Order'd the Deputy Govrnr: &cs: Councill at Fort St: David to make an Investment for Thirty thousand Pagoda's, It's agreed upon the arrival of Ship K. William, that wee write them to double their Contract, and they to advise, whether the sending Dollars or Pagodas is most for the Comps: advantage. The Fort St: David Investment to be doubled upon the arrivall of Ship King William.

Order'd that Philip Cane be entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison. A soldier entertain'd.

Order'd that the Gunner mounts Guns in the room of those sold and sent out of the Garrison, and the Storekeeper to deliver Car[t]ridges for this purpose, and if not sufficient ready , that he provides them. To Mount Guns in the room of those sold & sent out of the Garrison.

Mr: Thomas Wright Sea Customer pays into the Rt: Honr: Comps: cash Two thousand Pags: on that account. Pags: 2000 paid into Cash on accot: Sea—Customs.

The Secretary is order'd to give notice to such persons who hath money at Interest in the Rt: Honr: Comps: cash, to bring their Bonds, that they may be forthwith Discharg'd. Bills at Interest to be paid off.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd General Letter to Fort St: David of this date. AUGUST ℔mo:

Ship Merah Madud, Meera Noqueda arrived from Ramnadah Perum.

Received the following Genl: Letters ℔ Pattamars:

from Vizagapatam dated 24th: June 1700 with their Accot: Cash for the month of May last:

from Mr: Samuel Woolston at Metchlepm: dated 12th: July last:

from ffort St: David dated the 31st: July last, and all papers therein mention'd.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 5TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MR: ELLIS *Sick*

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Honble: Companys cash for the month July last, the Ballance being Pags: 70693: 18: 3. The Comps: Accot: Cash for July month, read.

General Letters from Vizagapatam dated the 24th: June last, from Mr: Samuel Woolston at Metchlepatam dated the 12th: July last and from Fort St: David dated the 31st: July last, all read. Amongst which papers was received from Metchlepatam, Copy of a Letter from Mr: Woolston to Mr: Lovell (as enter'd next after this Consultn:) who being sent for and show'd it, was demanded the Nabobs Letter to the Governour, but he possitively deny'd that he ever receiv'd such a Letter from Mr: Woolston or the inclosed mention'd therein for the Governour. Letters received read. A demand made of ye: Nabobs Letter to the Govr: sent by Woolston to Lovell from Metchlepatam; but the latter denys his having redd: any such.

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The chief & c^a: at Metchlep^m: to enquire about it.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*——

Order'd that a copy of the Letter be sent M^r: Foquett &c^a: at Metchlepatam, and they to make a Strict Scrutiny into the matter and to report the same to the President & Councill.

Two bills Exchange from Fort S^t: David amo^t: to 10,000 Pag^s: order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Pag^s: 6,666: 24 be paid Boss Chittee, being for one Bill of Exchange and Pag^s: 3,333: 12 to Videe Chittee being for one other Bill both dated the 29th: July last drawn by the Dep: Govern^r: &c^a: Councill for Fort S^t: David.

Sea Custom Acco^ts: for June m^o: read.

M^r: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer read his Acco^t: Sea Custom for the month June last, ℘ticulars Viz^t:

To Custom on Goods Imported and Exported this month	Pa:	3,171: 35: 3
To Custom on Grain	„	174: 2: —
To Anchorage	„	30: 18: —
To Tonnage	„	100: —: —
	Pag^s:	3,476: 19: 9

Pag^s: 1,000 order'd for Garrison expences.

Order'd that One thousand Pagoda's be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Storekeepers Acco^t: for May & June read & pag^s: 1,000 paid into Cash for Stores sold.

M^r: Francis Bett Prov^l: Storekeeper read his Acco^ts: for the months of May and June last, and pays into the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: Cash One thousand Pagoda's on Acco^t: stores sold.

Silver to be sold at 16¾ Dollars for Ten Pag^s: & 350 Rup^s: for 100 pag^s: one chest of Dollars to be coin'd into fanams.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to sell silver at the rate of 16¾ weighty Dollars for Ten Pag^s: and Three hundred and fifty Rupees for One hundred Pagodas, and to deliver one Chest of Dollars into the Mint to be coin'd into fanam's

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

M^R: LOVELL

Woolston at Metchlepatam to Lovell in Fort S^t: George.

S^r:

I writt you three days ago, and sent our Books directed to You as I advis'd his Hon^r: &c^a: in our Generall; and this serves only to accompany the inclosed Letter from Mide Cawn Beague, in answer to that you sent, which pray deliver to the Governour, and I hope you will not be unmindfull of letting me hear from you on all occasions. I am

Metchlepatam the

10th: february $\frac{1699}{700}$

Yo^r: hum^ble: Servant,
SAM^L: WOOLSTON.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*——

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 6TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM^{s}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

M^{r}: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Comp^{s}: cash One thousand Pag^{s}: on that account. — Pags: 1,000 paid into Cash on Accot: Sea Customs.

There being a small ship bound to the West Coast, It is order'd that the Warehousekeeper Lade on board thirty Bales of Long Cloth marked Y for that place. — Long Cloth 30 bales order'd for the W^{t}: Coast.

The Duan designing tomorrow for Arcott, and having given no disturbance to Madrass dureing his stay at S^{t}: Thoma, nor no Present made him by us, It's agreed the following be now sent by the Mullah. — A small present to be given the Duan. The particulars.

Crimson	10 y^{ds}:	Pag^{s}: 15: —: —
Green	10 „	„ 15: —: —
Yellow	10 „	„ 15: —: —
Sword blades	2 p^{s}:	„ 4: —: —
Syrash Wine	2 Chests	„ 24: —: —
Hubble bubbles	4	
Rosewater bottles	4: 8½ lb. at P. 1¼ ℔ lb.	„ 10: 22: 40

To be given among the Duans Serv^{ts}: 10 Rup^{s}:

Wee have often had it under our consideration the makeing of a new Contract to provide good Cargo's for the January Ships, and in order thereunto, wee have taken a view and made a calculate of all the Calicoes unbal'd and those in the washers hands, and find that the present Joint Stock Merchants Serapah &c^{a}: are in Arrears to the R^{t}: Honble: Company (Custom & Dustore included) Twenty thousand Pag^{s}: which makes us inclinable to accept proposeals from any other Merchants, that wee shall think more capable of carrying on the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: business and to perform their Contracts. — Considerations of a new Investment to be made either by the present Merch^{ts}: or any others.

Timapa this day (who was formerly Cheif Merchant) presented a Petition to us, desireing to be Entertain'd as Cheif Merchant, promiseing us to bring in such a sett of Merchants with him as should comply with their Contracts. — Timapa offers to bring a sett of Merch^{ts}: who will undertake a Contract for the Company.

The further consideration of which is defer'd till tomorrow morning, wee resolveing to meet de die in diemto hear proposealls for the speedy makeing a new Contract, the season of the year not admitting of further delays. — Timapas proposall defer'd till tomorrow & to loose no time for the makeing a Contract.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter of yesterdays date to the President &c^{a}: Councill at Surat ℔ an Armenian Cossed. — 7TH

Deliver'd a Printed Pass to Ship Tryall burthen 45 Tonn Richard Bush Comander, bound on a trading voyage to the West Coast of Sumatra & Batavia.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*——

WEDNESDAY [7TH] ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MR: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Ship K. Williams men to be Muster'd. The Paymaster is order'd to Muster Ship King Williams Company and report the same.

Prepetuanoes to be sold at Pags: 6: 18 ℔ peice. Whereas by a former Order Perpetuanoes has been sold for five Pags: ℔ peice, and none being sent out by this years Shipping, the Warehousekeeper is now Order'd to sell at Pags: 6: 18 ℔ peice.

The Settlement of the Comps; Servts; in this place appointed for what Employs Vacant. The Settlement of persons for what places Vacant, being under consideration, It is resolved as follows Vizt:

Mr: Francis Bett Rentall Generall and Scavenger.
Mr: Vicessimus Griffith Cheif Searcher at the Sea-Gate & Justice of the Choultry.
Mr: Thomas Wigmore Judges Assistant.
Mr: Matthew Mead Justice of ye: Choultry.
Mr: Gulston Addison Sorter in ye: Godown.
Mr: John Hutchinson under Searcher &
Mr: Henry Marshall Writer at the Sea Gate.

Gunner of Queens Point & s; Mate for the inner Fort. Order'd that George Kimball be Gunner of Queens Point in the room of Richard Lush deceas'd, and Simon Everson Gunners mate of the inner ffort in the room of George Kimball and that four Pags: ℔ mensem be paid Robt: Beesly, in consideration he serves both in the Gunroom and Cooper in this Garrison.

Three Soldiers order'd for the West Coast. Order'd that Simon Fiquera, Pasquall Melior and Barnott Dulfury be sent Souldiers by Ship Tryall for York Fort.

Timapa discours'd about a new Contract, ten ℔ Cent abatemt: demanded: he promises his answer tomorrow Timapa was before us, with whom wee had much discourse concerning a new Contract. Wee demanding ten ℔Cent abatement on the last Contract, in regard that rice is cheap, which he promises to consider of and bring us his answer tomorrow, with a List of the names of the Merchants that are to be join'd with him.

A conference with the Joint Stock Merchants. Serapa &cs: Joint Stock Merchants were call'd in, and demanded of'em the reason of their not complying with their Contract, since there was so much time elaps'd, who complain'd of their being hard sorted in the Godown and of the great loss they had in takeing off the Cloth and Lead, which fell considerably in price on their hands. 'Twas also demanded of 'em, where this money was that is in Arrear, who answer'd, that they sold great part of their Cloth and Lead for time, which was not yet paid, and that they had money standing out in the weavers hands, an Accot: whereof they will bring tomorrow; and they gave us all immaginable assureances, that the Company shall not be prejudic'd one Pagoda by them.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

8 Ship Merah Madud, Meera Noquedah sail'd for Bengall.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700* ——

[Att a Consultation] Thursday 8th

[*Present*]

[Thomas Pitt President & Governour]
[Mathew Empson] [Thomas Wright]
[John Meverell] [Thomas Marshall]
Mr: Ellis [*indisposed*]

Generall Letters to the Cheif and Councill of Metchlepatam, to the Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatam, to the President and Councill of Bengall to be sent by Ship King William & To the Dep: Governour and Councill of York Fort to be sent by Ship Tryall, all of yesterdays date read and approved. Letters to severall parts read.

The Paymaster reports the Muster of Ship King Williams Company to be 127 Men & Boys. Muster of Ship K. Williams men.

Timapa came before us, and told us, that he had consider'd on the abatement wee demanded on the last Contract, about which he had confer'd with his Merchants, who could not agree to any abatement. The Abatement of Ten ℔Cent on an Investment to be made by Timapa, not agreed.

Hee also deliver'd us in a List of what Merchts: was to join with him in the Contract, some of them being unknown to us: wee told him [. . .] [. . .] tomorrow to inform [. . .]. Timapa delivers a List of Merchts: to be join'd with himself.

Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Att a Consultation Friday 9th

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson Thomas Marshall
John Meverell
Mr: Ellis *indispos'd*

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper delivers the Mintmaster the following Chests of Ingotts to be coin'd into Rupees Vizt: Nº: 1, 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, and 16. Rupees to be coin'd.

Lewis de Paz lately Entertain'd a Writer in the Companys Service, having several times since the arrivall of the Europe Ships, made it his [. . .] [. . .] rg'd, for that his [. . . . .] [. . .] his Subsistances [. . .] icent to do, by reason [. . . se]cretarys office and [. . .] am: Upon which he [. . . s]o much that it rende[rs . . .] Business; And he voluntarily offering his Oath of secresy (as Enter'd next after this Consultation) wee have thought fitt to Discharge him, and order that what Salary due be paid him. Lewis de Paz Writer discharg'd & why.

Upon the enquiry wee have all made of the List of Merchants deliver'd by Timapah, wee find most of them insufficient, and others that are not so, most of them strangers to the people and customs of the Country, where the cloth is made. The List of Merchts: deliver'd by Timapa for carrying on an Investmt: not approv'd.

[9TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1709*——

Joint Stock Merch[t]: delivers an Acco[t]: of debts owing them.

Serapa &c[a]: Joint Stock Merchants deliver'd us in an acco[t]: of their Debts standing out in the weavers hands, and what due to them for what Broad Cloth sold, to the amount of upwards of Fifteen thousand Pagoda's.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[s]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Oath of Lewis de Paz.

[. . . m]ake it may request [. . .] this place, to be [. . .] service, who are not in[. . .]on I have been Employ'd [. . .] and thereby am capable [. . .] anys secrets.

[. . .] which Objection, I do here Voluntarily promise [&] swear, that I will not directly or indirectly Divulge, publish or Declare anything whatever that I have read, heard or copyed dureing the time I have been in the Secretary's Office, so help me God.

Sworn before mee
THO: PITT Gov[r]:

LEWIS DE PAZ.

Late this night, Ship Tryall Richard Bush Com[r]: sail'd for the West Coast, by whom sent Gen[l]: Letter to the Dep: Govern[r]: &c[a]: Councill of York Fort dated the 7th: Instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for 30 bales Calicoes &c[a]: amounting to Pag[s]: 1,404: 32: 2.

10 Dispatch'd General Letter to the Dep: Govern[r]: &c[a]: Councill at ffort S[t]: David of this date.

11 Ship King William saild for Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam & Bengall, by whom sent General Letters to the Cheifs &c[a]: Councill of the two former places, and to the President &c[a]: of Bengall all dated the 7th: Instant.

MONDAY 12TH

ATT A CONSULTATION
Present
THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M[a]: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Hatts from England to be Sold at Outcry.

The Storekeeper is Order'd to put to Sale at Outcry, the Hatts received ℔ Ship Howland.

Doctor Bulkleys Apprentice to be allow'd 3 pag[s]: ℔ mensem. Three Mo[s]: Town Conicoplys duty to be paid Wotta Linga.

Doctor Bulkley having requested that Charles Venall come out his Apprentice by the last Shiping, may be allow'd some consideration, It is resolved that the Paymaster pay him three Pag[s]: ℔ Mensem, M[r]: Harrison formerly entertain'd, being lately remov'd from the Hospitall.

Order'd that twenty five Pag[s]: be paid Woota Linga Town Conicopley for three months ending the ultimo July last.

John Hutchinson dischar'd the Comp[s]: Service at his request.

M[r]: John Hutchinson Writer, having by a request in writing, desired leave to lay down the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Service, in order to return for England, It is resolved that the same be accordingly granted him.

Further discourse with: Timapa about a Contract, and his resolution contain'd in a paper enter'd after y[e]: Consult[n]:

Timapa was with us this day to discourse about the Contract, who told us he had conferred with his Merchants about the abatement [Wee...] not agree to more than [. . . .]ther matters relating to a [. . .] considered, which he delivered [. . . .] his resolutions thereon, as [enter'd after y[e]: Consultation.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*—— [12TH]

[. . .] for Serapa &c^{a}: Joint Stock Merchants [had] discours'd them about a new Contract, and that wee expected 10 ℔ Cent abatement upon the last, They answer'd that they could not make any, being loosers by that Contract, nevertheless wee insisted upon it, and bid 'em consider thereof against tomorrow morning, and then to bring their answer to the Governour and Councill.

The Joint Stock Merch^{ts}: are discours'd about an Investment, and their answer.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Tima]pa &c^{a}: Merch^{ts}. [. . .] cills, for makeing an [. . .] es for the R^{t}: Honble: Company [. . .] Pag^{s}: 1,60,000. Viz^{t}:

Timapa &c^{as}: proposition for an Investm^{t}: of 1,60,000 Pag^{s}:

1st: That [. . . Comp]ly with the Contract wi[thin] [. . .] time as formerly have done [in] [other] Investments.

2^{d}: That there shall be brought in better Cloth than what Serapa brought in, in this last contract, one ℔ Cent cheaper, and better by 2 (or) 3 ℔ Cent than his was, as the Judgem^{t}: of your Hon^{r}: shall give.

3^{d}: That Our Stock shall be 7,500 Pag^{s}: (as Serapa's was) but without takeing it out again, and shall be Employ'd with the Companys money in the country, till the contract is comply'd with.

4th: The Contract to be for Pag^{s}: 1,60,000 in 18 mo^{ths}: time at Serapa's prizes and Term's.

5th: And wee further oblige ourselves in February to bring in Goods to the amount of Pag^{s}: 50,000 as part of the above mentioned Contract.

ATT A CONSULTATION

TUESDAY [13TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{r}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Jemseir Cawn having wrote the Govern^{r}: a Letter to pay to the Kings Duan the yearly rent for this place amount to Twelve hundred Pag^{s}: which was due last month Resolved that the said Sum be paid to the Duan with the usuall Present, takeing his receipt for the same.

The yearly rent for this place is order'd to be paid the Duan.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper sell silver at 16$\frac{7}{8}$ weighty Dollars for Ten Pag^{s}: there appearing no buyers under that price.

Silver to be sold at 16$\frac{7}{8}$ Dollars for Ten Pagoda's.

Ship Mamodee being design'd for Fort S^{t}: David, It's agreed that the following be sent by her, as wrote for by the Dep: Govr: &c^{a}: Viz^{t}:.

Stores order'd for Fort S^{t}: David: the particulars.

Arms with firelocks	200	P^{s}:
Flints	3,000	„
Gunnys	3,000	„
Wax cloth	100	„
Twine	2	Candy
Rope	3	d^{o}:

Paper for their Consultations & Genl: books.

Generall [letter . . .] St. David. [. . .]

Letter to Fort S^{t}: David.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*——

[13TH] After long debate wth: the Joint Stock Merchts: this day, a small progress is made with them towards a New Contract.

[The Joint-Stock mer] chants being be[fore the Honble: Councill &c:] wee had long & ted[ious debate relating] to a new Contract; wee in [sisting upon an] abatement, Rice being cheap: but [not prepared] to allow any, by reason that cotton keeps [up] it's price and the many Investments makeing by Europe nations round about us: and the small abatement offer'd by Timapa, wee think not for the Comp: interest to accept of, considering the risgo that must be run of his performance in point of time and ability, and the time of year being so far spent, wee resolve forthwith to Contract with Serapa &c: and in such manner as to prevent any future Disputes in ye: Warehouse so that wee made some small progress this day and order that Serapa &c: attend us tomorrow morning.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON,
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

WEDNESDAY [14TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M: ELLIS *indispos'd*

A further progress with the Joint Stock Merchts: towards a new Investment.

The Merchants attended this day, with whom wee made a considerable progress in the Contract, and have order'd them to attend tomorrow again.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

15 Ship Mamodee, Mahomade Ashee Noquedah sail'd for ffort St: David, by whom sent General Letter to the Dep: Govr: &c: Councill dated the 13th: Instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for sundrys Laden on her amo: to Pags: 742: 31: 5.

THURSDAY 15TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
ME: ELLIS *indispos'd*

An Investment for 150,000 Pags: with the Joint Stock, Merchts: finish'd.

The merchants [. . .], with whom wee finish'd the Contract for One hundred & fifty thousand Pagodas, and order that the same be Engrossed for our and their signing tomorrow, and that the warehousekeeper provide the usuall Tashereifs for them.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*—— [15TH]

[. . .] a Letter from [. . .]mander of a ffrench man [. . .] in Policherry road the [. . .] that being at Johanna, [. . .] twenty two of Ship Rubies [. . .] which [. . .] ten months past on the [. . .]nd May [ear] Johanna, but the circumstances of this accident is not mentioned, nor what sav'd of the Rack, that Capt: John Barber the Comander, all his Officers and 60 of the Ships Crew dead, that the Purser in an open Boat with six men and a woman left Johanna about 3 months past, carrying abo[ve] 2,000£ Sterling in money, that 15 of the men they have brought to Policherry, the other seve[n] (the Boatswain being one) remain'd at Johanna having a large Booty as the other inform. The President by the same conveyance also received a Letter from Capt: John Ap Rice Com^{r}: of the Madrass frigat dated 26th: May last from the Cape, informing that they expected to sail the next day for Bencoolen, and being in Distress by the loss of two anchors in the harbour blowing at n^{b}: W^{t}: were releiv'd by the ffrench ships then there, which Capt: Ap Rice attributes to the preservation of his ship.

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY [16^{T}]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

The [. . .] 20th: Par. of their Letter dated the 21st: November 1699, urging the putting in suit the Bond given by Messrs: Daniel Chardin and Samuel Brown, and M^{r}: Chardin requesting a copy thereof, the same is order'd to be deliver'd him for his answer.

M^{r}: Chardin to have Copy of what the Comp^{a}: write about the Bond given by himself & D^{r}: Brown.

None offering to buy silver at 16⅞ Dollars, the warehouskeeper is order'd to sell at 17 ℔ Ten Pagodas.

Silver to be sold at 17 Dollars ℔ Ten Pag^{s}:.

The Contract not being Engross'd, it is defer'd till tomorrow to be sign'd.

The Merch^{ts}: to sign y^{e}: Contract tomorrow.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

[. . .] Martin Govr: [. . .] gratitude for the [. . .] Ships at Cape Bone [. . .] Madrass frigat [. . .].
[. . .] Generall Letter to ffort S^{t}: [. . .] instant, with second Bill [. . .] sent thither ℔ Ship Mamodee.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*——

SATURDAY [17TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MR: ELLIS *indispos'd*

The Contract with the Joint Stock Merchts for 150,000 Pags: Sign'd.

This morning the Merchants attended and sign'd their Contract, which is Enter'd after this Consultation, and they were Tashereif'd according to custom and the usual complement of Guns.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

A[n Agreement] and Contract.

A Contract for 150,000 Pags: Calicoes.

Made in [Saturday the] Sixteenth day of August 1700 [between] Thomas Pitt Esqr: President &ca: Councill for [. . .] Rt: Honble: English East India Company, and [. . .] merchants in behalf of themselves Jo[. . .] and the rest of the hundred share Merchants [vizt:] Checca Serapa, Nairo Verona, Checca Shevram, Coperte Cash, Ponagettee Narso, Cornapa Chittee, Iapa Chittee, Pedditombe Adimolum, Racca Chittee, Perpaudum Chittee.

O The said Merchants do Contract that they will provide for the Rt: Honble: Company, the following quantities and sorts of Goods to the amount of One hundred & fifty thousand Pagodas, to be sorted by the Rt: Honble: Companys Servants according to the Musters now produced and agreed upon, and at the following prizes Vizt:

	Covds:	Covds:	
Long Cloth Ordinary ...	72 Long 2¼ brod:	Peices 30000 Vizt:	
	No: 1 at Pags:	34: —:	℔ Corge.
	„ 2 „	32: 27:	
	„ 3 „	30: 9:	
Long Cloth Middling ...	72 Long 2¼ brod:	Peices 3000 Vizt:	
	No: 1 at Pags:	41: —:	℔ Corge.
	„ 2 „	38: —:	
	„ 3 „	35: —:	
Long Cloth fine ...	72 Long 2¼ brod:	Peices 7000 Vizt:	
	No: 1 at Pags:	75: —:	℔ Corge.
	„ 2 „	70: —:	
	„ 3 „	65: —:	
Salampores fine ...	32 Long 2⅛ brod:	Peices 4000 Vizt:	
	No: 1 at Pags:	29: —:	℔ Corge.
	„ 2 „	27: —:	
	„ 3 „	25: —:	
[. . .] ...	[2] Long 2¼ brod:	Peices 15000 Vizt:	
	No: 1 at Pags:	16: 18:	℔ Corge.
	„ 2 „	15: 18:	
	„ 3 „	14: 18:	
[. . .]	18 Long 2⅛ brod:	Peices 6000 Vizt:	
	No: 1 at Pags:	36: —:	℔ Corge.
	„ 2 „	32: —:	
	„ 3 „	28: —:	
[. . .] Ordinary ...	20 Long 2¼ brod:	Peices 8000 Vizt:	
	No: 1 at Pags:	20: —:	℔ Corge.
	„ 2 „	18: 18:	
	„ 3 „	17: —:	

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	Covds: Covds:
Succatoms fine	40 Long 2 brod: Peices 1500 Vizt:
	No: 1 at Pags: 70: —: } ℘ Corge.
	„ 2 „ 65: —: }
	„ 3 „ 50: —: }
Betteelas Oringall	32 Long 2 brod: Peices 6000 Vizt:
	No: 1 at Pags: 70: —: } ℘ Corge.
	„ 2 „ 65: —: }
	„ 3 „ 60: —: }
Betteela's	40 Long 2 brod: Peices 2000 Vizt:
	No: 1 at Pags: 41: —: } ℘ Corge.
	„ 2 „ 38: —: }
	and none to be taken under that number.
Betteela's	50 Long 2 brod: Peices 3000 Vizt:
	No: 1 at Pags: 48: —: } ℘ Corge.
	„ 2 „ 45: —: }
	and none to be taken under that number.

All which Goods are to be deliver'd, Sorted and Embaled in Fort St: George on or before the first day of September 1701, and the Merchants in case of failure, are to forfeit twenty five ℘ Cent, Excepting only the impediments which shall unavoidably arise from war or the stops made by the Country Government. And the President & Councill in case any such stops shall be made, do promise to use their Endeavours for clear [. . .] is underst[ood] [. . .] and for said Goo[ds] ℘ Cent and Dustore [. . .].

And w[. . .] the Dispatch and Loading of [. . .] day of Janry: next. The said M[erchants do promise] to have ready Embaled one thousand bales on or before that time.

The said President and Councill do contract & promise to Pay the said Merchants the sum of Twenty thousand Pagodas on the sealing hereof, and afterwards upon the delivery of any quantity of Cloth on this Contract, either at the Land Custom house or measureing Godown, the like value in money then to be advanc'd and paid them if required, and so continue such Payments till the whole Contract is finished.

The said Merchants do further promise & agree forthwith to compleat their last Contract, seperate & distinct from this present, in such proportion of Goods as are now due.

And the said Merchants do further agree to make a Joint Stock of Ten thousand Pagodas, and lay a Moiety of the same at signing this Contract, and the other Moiety in two months from this date. In wittness whereof the aforesaid merchants have sett their hands and the seal of their Joint Stock, and the [. . .] have sett their hands. [. . .] Rt: Honble: Company unto one [. . .] [sa]me Tenor and Date.

Signed & Sealed in the presence of

CHA: BUGDEN SECRY:

CHECCA SERAPA—చక్కా సరపయ.

KAICA VERONA—కాయక వీరంన్న.

CHECCA SHEVRAM—చక్కా సివరాముడు.

COPERTE CASH—కొప్పరపు కాశి.

PONAGETTEE NARSO—బూన్నగంట్టి నర్సు.

CORNAPA CHITTEE—காரணப்ப செட்டி.

IAPA CHITTEE—அய்யப்பன்.

PEDDITOMBE ADIMOLUM—ஆதிமூலம்.

RACCA CHITTEE—ராக்கன்.

PERPAUDUM CHITTEE—பொர்பாதம்.

19th ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700*——

Received Generall Letter from ffort S[t]: David dated the 15th: Instant, with the severall papers inclosed.

Monday do: Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson Thomas Marshall
John Meverell
M[r]: Ellis *indispos'd*

Land Custom Acco[ts]: for June read & pays Pag[s]: 672 on that acooᵗ: M[r]: John Meverell read his Land Custom Acco[ts]: for the month June last, particulars Viz[t]:

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	...	Pag[s]:	516	: 20 : 20
Trivlecane Custom		...	...	...	...	„	—	: 3 : 30
							[. . .]	
[. . .]	...	...	...	...	...	„	[ ]7	: 20 : 55
[. . .]	...	...	...	...	...	„	[46]	: 16 : 9
[. . .]	...	...	...	...	...	„	—	: 32 : —
[. . .]	...	...	...	...	...	„	9	: —: —
						Pag[s]:	[676]	: 8: 74

and pa[ys into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]:] Cash Six hundred [seventy] two [Pag[s]:] on that account.

Pag[s]: 8000 paid into Cash for silver sold. Fort S[t]: David bill of Exchange order'd to be paid. M[r]: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Eight thousand Pagoda's on Acco[t]: silver sold.

Order'd that Pag[s]: 219: 24 be paid M[r]: Roger Braddyll being for one Bill of Exch[a]: drawn by the Dep: Govern[r]: &c[a]: Councill of Fort S[t]: David dated the 15th: Instant.

Letter from Fort S[t]: David read. Generall Letter from ffort S[t]: David dated y[e]: 15th: Instant read.

Liquors for the Genll: table order'd to be bought. Order'd that Three tonn of Beer and two chests wine Viz[t]: Canary & Clarett be bought for the use of the Generall table.

Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom[s]: Marshall.
John Meverell.

[. . .] [le]tter from Metchlepm: [. . .]nt ℔ ffrench Cossed.

Monday [ ] Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson Thomas Marshall
John Meverell
M[r]: Ellis *indispos'd*

Pag[s]: 1200 paid into Cash on Acco[t]: Sea Customs. M[r]: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Twelve hundred Pagodas on Acco[t]: Sea Custom's.

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Order'd that Bernando Rodrigues bee Entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison. Portuguez entertain'd a soldier.

The Warehousekeeper & Sorters report, that there are lying in the Godown One thous^{d}: & twenty peices of Long Cloth Ordinary, some of which has been turned out, some have had holes and mended, some narrow and some short, but in General the cloth pritty good. Long Cloth defective.

Wherefore it is agreed that the said Cloth be all taken in at Pag^{s}: 27: 9 ℔ Corge and marked N^{o}: 6 beleiveing they may sell for as much at the West Coast, as those which have cost much more. To allow for said cloth Pag^{s}: 27¼ ℔ Corge.

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 11th: Instant read, wherein 'tis observed, that [. . .] dem [. . .] that he [. . .] ion, but bele [. . .] ell in his own [. . .] am, which were [. . .] the ffactory by M^{r}: [. . .] ands arrivall. Letter from Metchlepatam read. The Comp^{s}: papers in the hands of Woolston demanded by the Cheif & Councill, but he denys his having any.

[7 *lines lost.*]

M^{r}: Lovell being sent for before us, Denys his ever giving M^{r}: Woolston such order, alledgeing that all General Letters &c^{a}: papers were deliver'd him with the Company's Seal, and offers to deliver us a Letter with flying seal for him, upon this occasion, to be sent M^{r}: Foquett &c^{a}: which he is order'd accordingly to do. M^{r}: Lovell examin'd about it, who affirms they were left wth: Woolston.

M^{r}: Holcombe from Vizagapatam having requested a Letter from the President to the King of Acheen, hee designing a ship thither very suddainly. The Presidents Letter to the King of Acheen requested by M^{r}: Holcombe.

A Letter to the King upon this occasion, and in Generall for the benefit of the English trade, with a Letter to M^{r}: Holcombe, read and approved. Letter to y^{e}: King of Acheen one to M^{r}: Holcombe, read.

The President produces a Paper for prevention of abuses by the Goldsmiths of this place, in [. . .] the same is refer'd [. . .] tion. Paper produced, to prevent abuses by the working Goldsmiths.

[M^{r}: Richard] Hunt Tobacco Mañager [pays into the] Honble: Companys cash [Six hundred and sixty] nine Pag^{s}: on that Acco^{t}: P^{r}g^{s}: 669 paid [into cash for] Tobacco sold. Pag^{s}: 1,000 paid for [Garrison charges.]

[Order'd that] One thousand Pagodas be [paid M^{r}: Thom]as Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison. Thirty Candy Saltpetre to be deliv^{d}: the President at Market price.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver the President Thirty Candy Saltpetre at the Market price.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, AUGUST 1700——

Tuesday [. . .]

[Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson Thomas Marshall
John Meverell
Mr: Ellis *indisposed.*]

Portnguez entertd: a Soldier.

[One en]tertained a Souldier [in this Garrison]

The Merchants produces a Stock of 10,000 Pags: for carrying on their Investment, whereupon 20,000 pags: is paid them,

The Joint Stock [merchants] produceing their Ten thousand Pagodas Stock as agreed by the Contract dated the 16th: Instant, Order'd that Twenty thousand Pagodas be paid them in part of the said Contract.

The Comps: Shroff to be paid what arrears due to him, as ℔ accot: deliver'd in.

for[. . .] Comp [. . .].

Tegapah the Shroff having long since presented a Petition to the Governr: & Councill setting forth, that there were great Arrears of wages due to him, occasion'd by his not accepting of 1½ pags: ℔ mensem, he insisting on two pagodas, which is his present Salary, and also alledges that he has given his constant attendance to shroff all the money received into the Revenues, Warehouse, by the Paymaster and in the Companys cash, and severall of the Councill avering the same, its thought reasonable [. . .] arrears to be paid [. .] March 1694/5 [. . .] he was at his [. . .] have serv'd or no. [. . .] Padres belonging to [. . .], having long since [. . .] Governr: & Councill and often [. . .] em for an answer thereto; the [Purport] of which Petition is relating to [Charity] given them by the Rt: Honble: Company from the first Settlement of this place, and continued till within 5 or 6 years last past, but not finding any orders from the Comps: to withdraw the same, or any reason upon the Books of the late Governr: & Councill for retaining it, wee think it for the Honble: Comps: service, that it be continued to 'em till their pleasure be signified to us, and therefore the Warehousekeeper is Order'd yearly to deliver 'em on the first day September next, One Garse of Paddy and two peices Long Cloth, when the Paymaster is also to deliver four Habits.

which is Order'd to be deliver'd them.

The reasons for the same.

What induces us to this, is not only that it has been the Companys ancient Charity, but [*a few lines missing*] good [. . .]strat [. . .] en there can[. . .] and they brought in [. . .] Arms. The said Petition is Enter'd after this consultation

Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom^{s}: Marshall.
John Meverell.

To the Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr: President
of Fort St: George and Governr: of the
Coast of Choromandell &c^{a}: Councill.

The Humble: Petition of Padre Michael Anjo, Padre Jacques, Padre Espirito & Padre Renato.

May it Please Your Honr: &c^{a}:

Your Petitioners do humbly presume to acquaint your Honr: &c^{a}: that the Rt: Honble: Comp^{a}: was [. . . .] rest of the favours [. . .] Peti-

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tioners, annu [. . .] two a Garse of Paddy, [. . .] Canonnicall [. . .] of their Hon[r]: [. . .] petitioners for some years past. The Portuguez Padres Petition for the charitys formerly allow'd by the Company.

[May it] please Your Hon[r]: &c[a]: though [the petitioners] cannot pretend any right or claim to this gift, longer then is consistent with the good will and pleasure of their R[t]: Hon[ble]: Benefactors, yet they humbly request, that (if the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company have not by order contracted that part of their Charity) Your Hon[r]: &c[a]: would please to allow it them, and though yo[r]: Petitioners are incapable of makeing any return, yet a due acknowledgement, a gratef[ull] sentiment of their Hon[rs]: favours, and yo[r]: Petition[rs]: daily prayers for the advancement & prosperity of the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys affairs under the prudent management of Your Hon[r]: &c[a]: shall never be wanting.

By Boat, sent Gen[l]: Letters to the Cheif &c[a]: Councill at Metchlepatam, to M[r]: Simon Holcombe Cheif at Vizagapatam, incloseing the President's Letter to the King of Acheen and translate thereof all of yesterdays Date. 28

[*Several lines missing.*]

Received Generall [letter] dated 24th: past. SEPTEMBER 4

Past by a large Ship to the [. . .] a Dutch flag at Topmast head, [. . .] to be the Heer Comens Govern[r]: of Negapatam bound to Policat. 5

Deliver'd Ship Bone Voyage a Pass burthen seventy five Tonn. 6

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY do:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M[R]: ELLIS *indispos'd*

The President read his Acco[t]: of the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys cash for the month of August last, the Ballance being Pag[a]: 26375: 35: 3 and Charles [. . .] his acco[t]: Fees [. . .] Pag[s]: Tenn, [. . .] Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: cash [. . .] forthwith to [Comp] anys Washers, [. . .] [no] torious Villains, [. . .] at the Choultry [. . .] incorrigible. It is order'd [that] they be Tr[ansported] to Pegu by a Ship now going over. The Comps Accot: Cash for August read & [. . .] [. . .]

The Warehousekeeper reports to have received of the President Malabar md. lb. Pepper Candys 212: 19: 22 which at 18 pag[a]: ℔ Candy amount to Pag[a]: 3833: 32: 9: the same is order'd to be paid for out of Cash. [. . .] for [. . .] into [. . .].

M[r]: Matthew Empson read his Paymasters Acco[t]: for the months of June & July last, particulars Viz[t]: Paymasters Accots: for June and July read.

June.

Charges Garrison	Pag[a]:	1,093: 24: —
Charges Extraordinary	„	55: 17: —
Charges Generall	„	681: 22: —
Ship Rubie	„	263: 18: —
Diet	„	456: 34: —
Cattle	„	17: 11: —
Fortifications & repairs	„	31: 24: —
	Pag[a]:	2,600: 6: —

July.

[*Several lines missing.*]

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Ballance of ye: Paymrs: accots: order'd to be paid. Two persons entd: Soldiers.

[. . .] Mr: Empson being [. . .] is order'd to be paid him.

Order'd that Nicholas G.[. . .] Carvalle be Entertain'd Soldiers [in this Garrison].

Warehouse Acct: for May, June & to ye: 9th: July read, and pays 1000 pags: into cash the Ball: of that accts: to that time.

Mr: Roger Braddyll late W[arehousekeeper] read his Warehouse Account, for the [months] May, June and to the 9th: July last, and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash One thousand Pags: as the Ballance of his accounts, and likewise produces an Acct: Remains, which is Order'd by the Accomptant to be Examined & reported.

Pags: 50 paid into Cash for the fishing ffarm for one year.

Deago Pasquall &cs: Mucquaw men pay into the Rt: Honble: Companys cash Fifty Pagodas for the fishing ffarm for one year Ending the 30th: May last.

Sundry Goods to be sold to prevent damage.

The Warehousekeeper reports, that the following Goods lying in the Warehouse being [damaged may be sold].

[. . .] 5: 221 mer [. . .] —: 33 [. . .] for Presents 340lb [. . .] 20 pair [. . .].

[. . .] they be sold [. . .].

[. . .] Pags: be paid [. . .] Paymaster to defray [Char]ges Garrison.

[. . .]. Mr: Thomas Wright warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Six thousd: Pags: on Accts: Goods and Silver sold.

[Letter from Met [chlepm: read. Chey Goods made in this place.

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam datd: the 24th: August last, read.

The particulars.

The Joint Stock Merchants having been encouraged by the President to make a Tryall of Chey Goods, and produceing the following sorts Vizt:

	Ps:
Allajaes ... ... Corge	11: 17
Muttafoons ... ... „	2: 5
Goaconcherulaes ... ... „	9: 13
Colloway Poose ... ... „	3: 17
Cotton Romalls ... ... „	9: 19

And their prizes.

Which they have offer'd to the President and Councill at Pags: 43 ℔ Corge, alledgeing they stand them in so much: but compareing them with the Metchlepatam Invoices, find[them] to be very dear; however for their Encouragemt: they were long since offer'd 30 pags: ℔ Corge one with another, that being near the Metchlepm: prizes, which they for a long time having refused, were this day sent for and offer'd 37 pags: ℔ Corge, which they accepted of.

It is therefore Order'd that they be Embaled, and in the Invoice to put the Metchlepatam prizes against each specie.

Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

9 Ship Bone Voyage, Ignaus Manuel Perez, Pilot, saild for Pegu.
10 Ship Maddapollam, Maul Cawn Noquedah saild for Pegu.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, SEPTEMBER 1700*——

Tuesday 10th

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Thomas Wright
Thomas Marshall
John Meverell

Messrs: Ellis & Empson *indispos'd*

Wm: Jennings Order'd assistant to the Warehousekeeper.

Order'd that William Jennings be Assistant to the Warehousekeeper in the room of William Bull.

Pag: 1000 paid into cash on Acco^{t}: Sea Customs.

Mr: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Company: cash One thousand Pagodas on Acco^{t}: Sea Custom's.

The Mint Acco^{ts}: for June, July & August read.

The President read his Mint Acco^{ts}: for the months June, July & August last particulars Viz^{t}:

June

To Custom on Gold coin'd in y^{e}: Mint ...	Pag^{s}:	56: 5: —
To Custom on Silver	Rup^{s}:	217: 2: —

July

To Custom on Gold	Pag^{s}:	32: 6: 40
To Custom on Silver	Rup^{s}:	122: 14: —

August

To Custom on Gold	Pag^{s}:	10: 34: —
To Custom on Silver	Rup^{s}:	590: 8: —

and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash Viz^{t}:

For custom of Gold coin'd	Pag^{s}:	99: 9: 4
For ffanams deliv^{d}: out of Mint	,,	1615: 6: 3
For copper Cash	,,	340: — —

and delivers to the Warehousekeeper on Acco^{t}: Revenues of Silver and Coinage Rupees 15 [3] 5: 6.

Two persons ent^{d}: Soldiers.

Order'd that John Jacobs and John Bonard be Entertain'd souldiers in this Garrison.

The Tobacco Managers acco^{ts}: for May, June, July and August read.

Mr: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager, read his Acco^{ts}: of Tobacco sold for the months of May, June, July and August last.

Rupees to be sold at 355 for Ten Pags.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to sell Rup^{s}: at 355 for One hundred Pagoda's being answerable to the Price of seventeen Dollars ℔ Ten Pagodas.

Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom^{s}: Marshall.
John Merverell.

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Ship Saree Salam [*Lacuna in the original*] saild for Pegu.

Received by Overland Peons, General Letter from President Colt &c^{a}: Councill at Surat dated 8th: July last, with copy of their Protest to S^{r}: Nichola's Waite of the 6th: ditto. Also General Letter from the Generall &c^{a}: Councill at Bombay dated the 24th: May last, with all papers inclosed.

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12 Received General Letter from the Majority of the Councill at ffort S^{t}: David dat: 7th: Instant.

THURSDAY 12TH

ATT A CONSULTATION *Extraordy*:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Letter from the Majority of the Councill at Fort S^{t}: David complaining of the Dep: Govr: Letters received, read.

General Letter from the Majority of the Councill at Fort S^{t}: David dated the 7th: Instant, read, complaining of a generall Disatisfaction in the Deputy Governours Deportment towards his Councill, concerning which there are severall private Letters to the Governour, as also to some of the Councill, which shall be speedily considered, to prevent the ill consequences that may insue.

Generall Letters from Surat dated the 8th: July last, and from Bombay dated the 24th: May last, with the severall papers therewith received, all read.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

14TH Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Dep: Governour &c^{a}: Councill at ffort S^{t}: David, and to the Deputy Governour particularly, both of yesterdays Date; also to the Majority of the Councill of this Date.

TUESDAY 17

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON

The Councill being duly sumon'd

MESS^{RS}: ELLIS, MARSHALL, & MEVERELL *indispos'd*

The Bond for appearance of Claudius Masson to be put in suit in the Admy: Court.

The Attorney Generall is Order'd to put in suit in the Court of Admiralty, the Bond dated the 15th: May 1696 for one thousand Pagodas given by Messrs: Daniel Chardin & Samuel Browne, for the appearance of Claudius Massons person, he being absconded.

Pags: 1000 to be paid the Paymr: for Garrison charges.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Henry Marshall Writer req^{ts}: to lay down the Comp^{s}: Service wch: is granted.

Henry Marshall by his request in writing, desireing to lay down the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Service, in order to go home by the next returning ship, upon which being sent for to know the reason, he answers, that having news by the last ships of his fathers death, hee goes home to take care of the Estate left him.

It is resolved that the same be granted, and that Thomas Matthews be at the Sea Gate in his room.

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Pags : 500 paid into Cash on accot : of the Arrac farm.

Peter de Pomera &ca : Arrac farmers, pays into the Rt : Honble : Comps : cash Five hundred Pagodas on that account for two months, ending the 14th : July last.

Complaint of the working Goldsmiths.

It having been an Epidemical complaint against the working Goldsmiths of this Place, of their unreasonable and unjust abaseing all Gold and Silver deliver'd them to work up, by which all people have been great loosers when they come to Dispose of the same; To prevent this great Mischeif for the future, Wee the Govr : & Councill do order, that on & after the 29th : day of this present September 1700, that no Gold nor Silver shall be wrought up in this place nor the limits thereof, otherwise than the coin, but what shall be brought to the Essaymaster at the Mint, which if found to be according to the standard hereafter mentioned then he shall stamp it with a stamp made for that purpose, which is a Lyons head and Letter A the Letter to be alter'd yearly according to the Alphabet.

Methods for future prevention of the same.

All wrought Silver to be English Standard.
All wrought Gold not to be worse than Pagoda Matt.

And whatsoever wrought Silver or Gold the Essaymaster shall find when brought to him, to be under the aforesaid Matt, he shall cause it to be broke in peices, and the Goldsmith that wrought such plate, shall be forthwith carried before some one Justice of the Choultry, who upon information upon Oath from the Essaymaster, that such Plate he then produces is worse than the standard aforemention'd, then such Justice shall committ the Offender to Prison till next Court day when by the Justices of the Choultry, the person or persons so offending shall be fin'd or receive such punishment as the notoriousness of their crime deserves.

And whereas there are severall things wrought in Gold and Silver, which by reason of their smallness are uncapable of being stamp'd, 'tis Order'd that such small work either Silver or Gold, shall be brought to the Essaymaster to be touch'd by him, and if found under touch, then the offender to be proceeded against, as in the case of large Plate to be stamp'd.

Furthermore, It is required & Order'd that no person whatsoever make any wrought Plate or Employ any Goldsmith to make the same, but before he pays such Goldsmith, hee shall bring or cause to be brought the Plate so wrought to be stamp'd or Touch'd, on failure of which and proof made of the same, a Quarter part of the Value of said Plate shall be forfeited, one third part of which, to be paid unto our Church, one third to the Company, and one third to the Informer or Discoverer thereof.

And if any one shall presume or offer to counterfeit the Stamp, hee shall bee proceeded against in the Court of Admiralty where hee shall be punished or fined according to the merit of the fact.

Wee further Order, wrought Plate stamp'd or touch'd by the Essaymaster, so that it be of the same standard hereby Order'd, that it Pays unto the Essaymaster half a fanam Madrass for each Pagoda.

Wee also order, that the Essaymaster keep an exact accot : of what Silver or Gold hee stamps or touches, with an Accot : of what hee receives for the same, and produce the same monthly in Councill.

And that none may have cause to plead Ignorance in this our Order for stamping of all wrought Gold and Silver, It is resolved that the same be Affixt at the Sea Gate, in the English, Portuguez, Armenian, [Persian], Jentu & Malabar Languages.

THO : PITT.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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17 By Peons to Policherry to be sent by two French men of warr proceeding thence for Surat, Dispatch'd Generall Letter to President Colt: &c^{a}: Councill of yesterdays date, incloseing our Journall parcells and Acco^{t}: Currant with that Presidency, from the year 1691. Also Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Bombay of yesterdays date.

21 Received Generall Letters from Metchlepatam of no Date, and from Maddapollam dated the 5th: Instant, with the several papers inclosed in both Pacquets.

26 Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 20th: July last with their Acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: cash for the month June last.

FRIDAY 27TH ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOM^{S}: WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^{S}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Part of a Letter to the Compa: & Letters from ye: Subordinate factorys, read.

General Letter to the R^{t}: Honble: Company of this Date to Paragraph 66. Also Generall Letters from Metchlepatam of no Date, from Maddapollam dated the 5th: Instant and from Vizagapatam dated 20th: July last, all read.

Storekeepers Accot^{s}: for July & August read, and 300 pag^{s}: paid into cash on that Acco^{t}:

M^{r}: Francis Bett Prov^{l}: Storekeeper read his Acco^{ts}: for the months of July and August last, and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: cash Three hundred Pagodas on that account, being for stores sold.

Pags: 50 be repaid M^{r}: Bett for bringing up the Wt: Coast books in ℔ suance of ye: Comp^{s}: orders.

Ordered that Fifty Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Francis Bett, being so much received by him as a Gratuity for bringing up those Books when he went to the West Coast, and afterwards repaid back, but since allowed by the R^{t}: H: C: in the 39 Parag: of their Letter dated the 21st: November 1699, upon what wee wrote them about that matter.

Land Custom Accot^{s}: for July and August read

M^{r}: John Meverell Land Customer read his acco^{ts}: for the months of July and August last particulars Viz^{t}:

	July.		
Choultry Custom		P^{a}:	594: 10: 58
Trivlecane Custom		„	— 3: 45
Rubie Brokers		„	73: 2: 10
Cloth Brokers		„	10: 31: 60
Registring Slaves		„	1: 20: —
	August.	Pag^{s}:	679: 32: 8
Choultry Custom		P^{a}:	488: 13: 65
Trivlecane Custom		„	— 5: 40
Rubie Brokers		„	69: 25: —
Cloth Brokers		„	... 27: 45
Registring Slaves		„	.. 8. —
		„	559: 7: 70

Pag: 1176 paid into Cash on accot: Land Custom.

and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{y}: cash One thousand one hundred Seventy Six Pag^{s}: on that account.

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Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Accots: for the months July & August last, and pays into the Kt: Honble: Comps: cash Four thousand Pagodas on Accot: Goods & Silver sold, and Mr: Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager pays Four hundred & fifteen Pagodas on Accot: Tobacco sold.

Warehouse Accot: for July & August read and pays into Cash 4000 pags: for Silver &ca: sold. Pags: 415 paid into Cash for Tobacco sold.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

29TH Ship Howland arrived from Vizagapatam and Metchlepatam and brought the follows: Generall Letters Vizt:

from the Cheif &cs: Councill dated the 4th: Inst: with Invoice & Bill Lading for 186 bales &cs: amounting to Pags: 11079: 7: 3.
from the Cheif of Vizagapatam dated the 16th: Instant.
from the Cheif &cs: Councill of Metchlepatam dated 23d: Instant, with Invoice & Bill Lading for 96 bales amtg: to Pags: 25039: 25: 3.
from Mr: Samuel Woolston dated the 14th: Inst: and from Bengall dated the 10th: July last, wth: all papers mention'd in their several respective Lists.

The Governour and Councill sign'd the following Order.

SUNDAY 2D: Ship Howland being this evening arriv'd from Metchlepatam and Vizagapatam, the Warehousekeeper is Order'd with all expedition to unlade the following.

Some bales from the Northern factorys to be unloaden from the Howland, for inspection.

FROM VIZAGAPATAM.

Strip'd Betteela's Brown Vizs:

No:	B	Bales	2
	C	,,	3
	OC	,,	1
	+C	,,	6
	OB	,,	1
	+[D]	,,	1

14 bales which being Brown, are to be wash'd.

Europe Cloth Vizt:

No:	A	Bales	2
,,	R	,,	4
,,	G	,,	5
,,	P	,,	4
,,	I	,,	1

All the Bengall Packing Stuff put on Shore there from Ship Benjamin, and all freight Goods.

Long Cloth	No: O.	3	Bal:	1
Salampores Ordy:	,,	4	,,	1
Strip'd Betteela's	,,	1	,,	1

3 bales, for our Inspection.

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METCHLEPATAM GOODS.

LFC +	N°: 1	Bale	1
P +	,, 1	,,	1
BP +	,, 1	,,	1
GS +	,, 1	,,	1
SF	,, 2	,,	1
P	,, 2	,,	1
DMF	,, 1	,,	1
SH	,, 2	,,	1
GB	,, 1	,,	1
OB	,, 1	,,	1
IZ	,, 2	,,	1
CH	,, 22	,,	1
CB	,, 1	,,	1
SG	,, 2	,,	1
A	,, 2	,,	1
R	,, 2	,,	1
SPP	,, 1	,,	1

17 Bales, for our Inspection.

MADDAPOLLAM GOODS.

LFC	N°: 2	Bale	1
GS	,, 1	,,	1
BP	,, 2	,,	1

3 bales, for our Inspection.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

MONDAY 30th

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

Cloth brought in by the Joint Stock Merchts: unfit for Europe to be sold at Outcry. Ginghams of 18 coveds to be taken in, prohibited by ys: Comps: & why.

There being some cloth lying in the Godown brought in by the Joint Stock Merchts: on their old Contract, which either by Badness or Shortness in Length & breadth are unfitt for Europe, It is Order'd that the Warehousekeeper Affix notes at the Sea Gate, signifying that such Cloth be put up to sale at Publick Outcry, and the Produce thereof paid into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash. And whereas there are also about Eight hundred peices of 16 Coved Ginghams, brought in by the Joint Stock Merchants on the old Contract and they being considerable in arrears upon that Contract, wee think it adviseable not to refuse these, notwithstanding the Rt: Honble: Company have order'd that no more should be sent them.

Letters received, read.

Generall Letters from the Cheif &cs: Counll: of Vizagapatam dated the 4th: & 7th: Instant, from the Cheif of Vizagapatam dated the 16th: Instant &cs:

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papers from Metchlep^{m}: dated 23^{d}: Instant, and M^{r}: Samuel Woolston dated the 14th: Instant; also from Bengall dated the 10 July last, all read.

M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acco^{t}: Disbursements for the month August last, particulars Viz^{t}: Paymaster's Accot: for the m^{o}: August, read.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1124: 19	
Charges Generall	,,	308: 29	
Charges Cattle	,,	19: 9	
Acco^{t}: Present	,,	3: 32	
Charges Merchandize	,,	—: 10	
Diet	,,	229: 30	
Factors Provisions	,,	576: 10	
Charges Extraordinary	,,	14: 35	
Metchlepatam	,,	102: 34	
West Coast	,,	10: 21	
Fortifications & Repairs	,,	30: 1	
	Pag^{s}:	2,421: 14	

Order'd that One thousand Pagoda's be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison. Pag^{s}: 1,000 order'd the Paymaster for defraying cherges Garrison.

Order'd that John Holston be Gunners Mate of the Outworks. John Holston entertain'd Gunr^{s}: Mate of y^{e}: Outworks.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright being in the warehouse, and not having time to attend the Choultry, It is therefore order'd that M^{r}: Matthew Empson be Cheif Justice of the Choultry in his room. M^{r}: Empson to be Cheif Justice of the Choultry.

The Accomptant is order'd to draw out the Acco^{t}: Salary due to the R^{t}: H: Comp^{a}: Servants ending the 29th: Instant, and the Paymaster to Muster Ship Howlands Company of men and report the same. Acco^{t}: Salary for ½ year to the Comp^{a}: Servt^{s}: to be drawn out.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Brigantine Commerce George Weoley Master arrived from Bengall, by whom received Generall Letter from the President &c^{a}: Councill dated the 5th: Instant, with the severall papers as ℔ List of the Packet. 30

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date. OCTOBER ℔m^{o};

The following Order was sign'd by the Governour & Councill. WEDNESDAY 2D;

Ship Howland being ready to take in her Lading for England, the Warehousekeeper is order'd to ship off sufficient for the same, takeing care that all the fine Goods be sent, and the Pepper as the Comander desires it. Ship Howlands Lading for England to be ship'd off.

THOMAS PITT.
THOM^{S}: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1700*——

FRIDAY 4

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

Letters sent & receiv'd, read.

Generall Letter to the Rt: Honble: Company dated the 27th: September last from Parag: 66 to 77 from Bengall dated the 5th: September last, To Bengall, Metchlepatam, Maddapm: & Vizagapatam of this Date, all read.

The Warehousekeeper to agree for 300 Candys Red wood at 2¼ pags:

The Warehousekeeper reports, that hee cannot Buy any Redwood under 2¼ pags: ℔ Candy, and to advance half the money before hand. So considering the Dutch and new Company are Buying up great quantitys, 'Tis resolved & Order'd hee agrees for three hundred Candys upon those term's.

Mr: John Styleman upon his request, hath leave to go for England.

Mr: John Styleman in writing, requesting our Leave to take his Passage for England upon Ship Howland, Resolved that the same be granted, and that he has accomodation in the great Cabbin.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars the following Pacqts: Vizt: To Metchlepatam, Maddapollam, Vizagapatam and Bengall all of Yesterdays date, with the severall papers mentioned in the respective Generall Letters.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 28th: September last with the Sevl: papers as ℔ List from No: 1 to No: 13, also their Journall parcells and Account Currant with this place comenceing ℔mo: May 1699 ending April 1700. Likewise a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour dated the 27th: past, and all other papers as therein mentioned.

TUESDAY 7TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR

FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

The Storekeeper to redeliver Ten barrells of English powder to Capt: Prower, for so much spared at Vizagapatam.

The Cheif & Councill of Vizagapatam adviseing in their Generall Letter dated the 4th: Instant of Capt: William Prowers having spared them Tenn barrells Powder, and he now produceing Mr: Stables receipt for the same, the Storekeeper is Order'd to deliver Capt: Prower ten Barrells English Powder.

Letters from Fort St: David, read, and their Merchts: proposealls for 30,000 pags: Investment approv'd upon some alterations hence.

Generall Letters from the Dep: Governr: of Fort St: David dated the 27th: Sepr: last, and from the Dep: Govr: & Councill dated the 28th: ditto, both read: in the latter was sent us proposealls by their Merchants for an Investment of Thirty thousand Pagodas, which wee approve of, except the number of midling Long Cloth, one Moiety whereof to be taken off, and in Lieu the Amount in Commees & Neckcloths to be Agreed, & for their direction in the abatement between number to number, that wee send them copy of our last Contract.

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Ensign Thomas Salmon for deserting the Garrison and for drawing off severall men with him, having lain in Prison some months; for many considerations have tho^{t}: fitt to send him home upon Ship Howland on Charterparty Account, and there being arrears of wages due to him (having had but two pagodas ℔ Mensem since in Prison) which by Law or equity he ought not to be allow'd, having been under confinement and done no service for the same; but considering his condition, that hee has neither apparell nor any manner of necessarys for the Voyage, the Paymaster is Order'd to give him Ten Pagodas, and that there be an Order for his going aboard forthwith. Ensign Salmon for deserting the Garrison to be sent for England, and some small sum given for necessarys.

Serjant Owen having serv'd some time in this Garrison and being under great discontent of mind from being from his Wife and Children in England, in so much, that he has offer'd violence to himself, 'Tis order'd that he be Discharg'd and that he takes his passage on Ship Howland. Serjant Owen to go for England & why.

'Tis order'd that Thomas Hitchman & John Ireland who was brought here from ffort S^{t}: David upon Ship Colchester, who were taken aboard by a Dane at Acheen, having been concern'd in severall Piracies in the South Sea's, but there being no evidence against them, otherwise than their own Declaration that they were forc'd to serve in a Pirot, 'Tis thought convenient to prevent their Infecting others, that they be sent home on Ship Howland and their declarations with them, and that the Paymaster provides them necessary apparell for the Voyage. Two men lying under suspicion of Piracy to be sent for England.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 5th: Instant. 8
Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date.

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 11TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
THE COUNCILL BEING DULY SUMMON'D

Generall Letter to the R^{t}: Honble: Company dated the 27th: September last & 10th: Instant, from Parag: 77 to 85, read. Letter to the Comp^{a}: to Par: 85 read.

Resolved that the Secretary give orders to Capt: Prower for receiveing of Diamonds on board Ship Howland, as they are bro^{t}: to him to be Registred. The Secretary to give orders for receiveing Diamonds on Ship Howland, for Englaod.

Ordered that Four thousand Pagodas be paid to Botchu Chittee & Colastree, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govern^{t}: &c^{a}: Councill at ffort S^{t}: David dated the 5th: Instant. Fort St: David bill Exchange ord^{d}: to be paid.

Ordered that Thomas Crum be Discharg'd the Gunroom crew at his request and David Lee be Entertain'd therein. Men Discharg'd & Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

[11TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1700*——

To report whether Messrs: Dolben & Styleman are indebted to ye: Compa: The Accot: of the Compa: cash for September, read.

The Accomptant is order'd to Examine the Generall books, whether Messrs: John Dolben and John Styleman are anyways indebted to the Rt: Honble: Company & report the same.

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Honble: Compa: Cash for the month September last, Ballance being Pags: 34906: 28: 2.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

13 Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 10th: Instant with their Pacquet to the Rt: Honble: Company (under a flying seal for our peruseall) to be sent p Ship Howland. Also copy of their Consultations & Diarys comenceing January 169$\frac{8}{9}$ Ending ultimo December 1699.

14 The following order was sign'd by ye: Govr: & Councill.

To Capt: William Prower Comr: of Ship Howland.

Wee require you to receive on board your Ship Thomas Hitchman and John Ireland in Irons, and keep them so till you sail out of this road, and when you come near any Port, you are to put them again in Irons to prevent their Escapeing, and on your arrival in England, you are to advise the Company and follow their orders for the Disposeall of 'em. They were apprehended at Malacca for being concern'd in several Piracies in the South Sea's, and their own Declarations which goes with them, confirms their having sail'd up & down in Pirats. Wee cannot avoid sending 'em home to prevent their perverting others, which Mallafactors have already brought great Dishonour to our nation in these parts, as well as unspeakeable Prejudice to the Company's Affairs. Dated in Fort St: George the 14th: October 1700.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMS: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

14 Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam, dated the 29th: September last, with their Diarys & Consultations comenceing 6th: August to the 20th: September last. Also a paper of proposealls from their Merchants for an Investment of Pags: 44762: 18 deliverable in August next.

TUESDAY 15TH ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMS: MARSHALL
MESSRS: ELLIS & MEVERELL *indispos'd*

Bills to be drawn on ye: Compa: for Pags: 49: 6 paid into their cash of Batson Pearson decd:

Mr: Mathew Empson late Paymaster pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Pags: 49: 6 being further part of the Estate of Mr: Batson Pearson deceas'd. Order'd that Bills be given him by us on the Honble: Compa: payable to his relations in England.

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The President having provided Cloth and look'd after the Painting of Chints, of this place, whereupon some being lately brought in and approved by us very propper for the Europe Market, are order'd to be taken in, calculateing the prime cost of the Cloth, what has and is to be paid y^e^: Painters, and the Warehouse-keeper is Order'd to Embale the same and Lade them on board the Howland.

Chints of this place provided by the President to be paid for & Laden on the Howland for England.

The Paymaster reports the Muster of Ship Howlands Company to be Eighty men & Boys.

The Howlands Muster roll reported.

Generall Letter from Fort S^t^: David dated the 10th: Instant and from Metchlepatam dated the 29th: September last, both read.

Letters receieved, read.

Ordered that Two thousand Pag^s^: be paid Vengana & Ramana, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govr: &c^a^: Councill of Fort S^t^: David dated the 5th: Instant.

Fort S^t^: David bill Exchange order'd to be paid.

The Accomptant reporting that Messrs: John Dolben and John Styleman are not anyways indebted to the R^t^: Honble: Company upon their Generall Books, Order'd that Certificates be accordingly given them.

Certificates given Messrs: Dolben & Styleman, they being not indebted to the Comp^a^:

Order'd that David Davids be Entertain'd a Souldier in this Garrison in the stead of John Davis, he being Discharg'd upon his request of returning home ℔ Ship Howland and John Hopkins, Thomas Wetherly, Richard Ranwi[th] & John Dennis are all Discharg'd the Gunroom.

Exchange of a Soldier made & severall discharg'd y^e^: Gunroom.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r^: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Pag^s^: 1000 Order'd y^e^: Paym^r^: for charges Garrison.

Agreed that what Brown Cloth brought ashore here at any times to be wash'd, may be Exported again upon paying 2½ ℔ Cent custom.

Brown Cloth imported to be wash'd only, to pay 2½ ℔ Cent custom.

Charles Bugden nearly related to M^r^: Zouch Troughton (who died in his passage home on the Fame) being under some apprehention that his papers may be Lost or Embezled, have requested of us a certificate that the said M^r^: Troughton nor M^r^: John Cheney (whose relict he married) are not Indebted to the R^t^: Honble: Company in this Presidency, which wee now grant him, in regard that M^r^: Troughton had a Certificate to the same purport as ℔ Order of Consultation the ℔^mo^: October 1698.

Upon Charles Bugdens request a Certificate is given that Zouch Troughton & Jno: Cheney dec^d^: are not indebted to y^e^: Comp^a^:

Order'd that Pag^s^: 4: 8: 1 be paid M^r^: John Hutchinson and Pag^s^: 5: 11 to M^r^: Henry Marshall, being for Salary due to them from the 25th: March last to the time of their Dismission from the R^t^: Honble: Comp^a^: Service.

Jno: Hutchinson & Henry Marshall their Salary Order'd to be paid them.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s^: MARSHALL.

Twelve a clock at noon, Ship Howland, fired a Gun, signifying her being fully Laden. 15

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WEDNESDAY 16

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^{S}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Latter part of a Letter to y^{E}: Comp^{A}: & y^{E}: Howlands Dispatch read & sign'd.

The remaining part of the Generall Letter to the R^{T}: Hon^{BLE}: Company from Parag: 85 to 98 was read & sign'd, as also the Howlands Dispatch for England.

One of the Gunroom crew discharg'd.

Order'd that Paul Springa be Discharg'd the Gunroom, he desireing it.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.

16 Deliver'd the Comander of the Howland his Dispatch for England.
17 Ship Howland Cap^{T}: William Prower Com^{R}: saild for England.

FRIDAY 18

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^{S}: MARSHALL
The Councill being duly sum̃on'd
M^{R}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

Portugues Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Order'd that Padro Lacruiz be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Sea Custom Acco^{TS}: for the m^{O}: July read.

M^{R}: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer read his Sea Custom Accounts for the month July last particulars Viz^{T}:

To Custom of Goods Imported & Exported this month	Pag^{s}:	1861: 26: 98
To Custom on Grain	„	381: 22: 25
To Anchorage	„	98: —: —
To Salvage	„	19: 22: —
To ffreight ℔ Rubie from Beng^{ll}:	„	120: 15: 96
	Pa:	2481: 15: 19

The Secretarys Accoᵗ: Fees for Passes for September read.

Charles Bugden Secretary read his Acco^{T}: Fees for Passes for month September last amount to four Pagodas, and pays into the R^{T}: Hon^{BLE}: Comp^{s}: cash Pag^{s}: 2: 24 their part. fa:

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The President proposes the ffarming out the Tobacco and Beetle for Eight thousand Pag^{s}: ℔ annum to be collected in the same manner as now by the R^{t}: Honble: Company, the further resolution whereof, is referred to our next meeting. The ffarming of y^{e}: Tobacco & Beetle for 8000 pag^{s}: ℔ ann: propos'd by y^{e}: Presid^{t}:

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Delivered a Pass to Brigantine Commerce burthen thirty ton George Weoley Master bound on a trading Voyage on the Coast of India, and in the night said Brigantine sail'd, by whom sent Generall to S^{r}: John Gayre Generall of India &c^{a}: Councill at Bombay dated the 19th: Instant, incloseing a short Letter for the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Company of this date adviseing the Dispatch of Ship Howland for England. 21

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 21TS

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R}: ELLIS *indispos'd*

The President pays into the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: cash Two hundred eight Pagodas, being for the permission of Passage of the following persons on Ship Howland for England, Viz^{t}: Pag^{s}: 208 pd: into Cash for Passengers on y^{e}: Howland.

John Dolben Esqr:	Pa:	26
John Styleman	,,	26
James Perriman	,,	26
John Mabb	,,	26
John Hutchinson	,,	26
Henry Marshall	,,	26
Styleman Gostlin	,,	26
Augustin Burton	,,	26
Pag^{s}:		208

Governour Comans having been some time at Policat, and the Dispatch of the Howland preventing the doing it before, It is agreed that Messrs: Empson & Meverell proceed on Wednesday next with a complementing Letter from the Govern^{r}: & Councill. Messrs: Empson & Meverell to complement y^{e}: Dutch Govr: of this coast, he being at Policat.

The Washers complaining of the smallness of their Pay for washing of the Companys Cloth and which they alledge to be the reason they cannot encrease the number of washers, having brought some from severall parts, who so soon as they have been inform'd of the prizes wee give, have deserted us, and now makeing great Investments, so that wee shall extreamly want washers to cure the cloth, for their encouragement wee have settled the following Prizes Viz^{t}: The Settlement for washing the Comp^{s}: cloth.

		Fa:	
Long Cloth	at Pag^{s}:	1: —	℔ Corge.
Long Cloth Midling	,,	1: 4	
Long Cloth fine	,,	1: 10	

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Salampores fine	...	...	...	„	—: 21
Salampores Midling	...	...	...	„	—: 16
Moorees fine	...	...	...	„	—: 12
Moorees Ordinary	...	...	...	„	—: 10
Succatums	...	...	...	„	—: 23
Betteelas Oringall	...	...	...	„	—: 25
Betteelas of 40 Coveds		...	...	„	—: 21
Ditto 50	...	...	...	„	—: 25

℔ Corge.

Pag^{a} : 4000 paid into Cash by y^{e} : Warehouse-keeper.

M^{r} : Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t} : Honble : Companys cash Four thousand Pagodas on Acco^{t} : Goods & Silver Sold.

The Calicoe Godowns to be repaired.

The Warehousekeeper representing that the large Godown where the Calicoes Embaled for Europe are kept is much decayed in the floring, and that the White aunts have of late often begun to eat severall of the Bales, and to prevent the great damage that may ensue thereby, It is ordered that the Paymaster new Paive y^{e}: Godown with Iron Stones, and lay them all in Chinam.

Pag^{a} : 1600 paid into Acco^{t} : Sea Customs. A Soldier Entertain'd.

M^{r} : Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^{t} : Hon^{r} : Comp^{e} : cash Eight hundred Pagoda's on Acco^{t} : Sea Customs, and M^{r} : Matt: Empson Sea Customer Eight hundred Pag^{a} : on that Account.

Ordered that Michael Horton be Entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{a}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

23 This morning Messrs : Empson & Meverell proceeded on their Journey for Policat and carried the President & Councills Letter to Govr: Comans of yesterdays date.

24 Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars Generall Letters to Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam & Bengall all dated the 22^{d}: Instant.

25 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 22^{d}: Instant, with the severall pap^{rs}: mention'd.

26TH This Evening return'd Messrs: Empson & Meverell, and brought a Letter from Govern^{r}: Comans for the President & Council dated 5th: November 1700.

WEDNESDAY 30

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

M^{a} : ELLIS *indispos'd*

Land Custom acco^{t} : for Sep^{r} : m^{o} : read &

M^{r} : John Meverell read his Land Custom Accounts for the month September last, particulars Viz^{t} :

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	Pa:	393: 3: 75
Trivlecane Custom	...	...	...	„	—: 4: 5
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	„	16: 15: 60
Cloth Brokers	...	...	...	„	2: 25: 45
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	„	—: 24: —
				Pag^{a}:	412: 27: 25

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and pays into the R^{t}: Hon^{r}: Companys Cash Four hundred fifty five Pagodas on that account, and Pag^{s}: 24: 23: 43 on Acco^{t}: Town Conicoplies Duty from the ℘^{mo}: February to the ultimo September last.

Pag^{s}: 455 paid into Cash on that acco^{t}: and Pag^{s}: 24: 23: 43 for Town Conicoplys duty.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated 22^{d}: Ins^{t}: &c^{a}: papers therewith received, read.

Letter &c^{a}: papers from Fort St David, read.

Order'd that Six thousand Pag^{s}: be paid Vengana & Maura Chittee being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govern^{r}: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David dated the [20th:] Instant.

Fort S^{t}: David bill Exchange order'd to be paid.

M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acco^{t}: Disbursements for the month Sep^{r}: last, particulars Viz^{t}:

Paym^{rs}: Acco^{ts}: for Sep^{r}: read.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1111:	2
Diet	,,	323:	6
Charges Generall	,,	361:	24
Charges Cattle	,,	18:	4
Charges Merchandize	,,	—:	18
Charges Extraordinary	,,	20:	35
Fortifications & Repairs	,,	25:	14
	Pag^{s}:	1860:	31

Generall Letter to the Deputy Govern^{r}: and Councill & to the Dep: Governour only, both dated the 29th: Instant, read & approv'd.

Letters to Fort S^{t}: David, read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Ten thousand Pagodas on Acco^{t}: Silver & Goods sold.

Pag^{s}: 10000 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper.

The Warehousekeeper reports that in persuance of our Consultation dated the 30th: Sep^{r}: last, he has sold at severall times at Publick Outcry to the amount of Pag^{s}: 2127: 29: 42 of the Cloth in the Joint Stock Merchants Godown, and finding that Long Cloth Ordinary &c^{a}: that has holes in it sells at under rates, It is therefore Order'd that the remaining Cloth be kept till wee see whether the Ruffagurs comes from Bengall or not.

No more of the turn'd out Cloth belonging to ye: Merch^{ts}: to be sold & why.

The Accomptant sent the last half years salary due to the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Serv^{ts}: ending the 29th: September last Amo^{t}: to Pag^{s}: 978: 11: Order'd that the same be paid.

The Acco^{t}: Salary order'd to be p^{d}: the Comp^{s}: Servants.

Order'd that One thousand Pag^{s}: be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag^{s}: 1000 Order'd the Paym^{r}: for Charges Garrison.

Translate of a Letter from Govern^{r}: Comans at Policat dated 5th: Nov^{r}: N.S. read.

Translate of a Letter from Govr: Comans, read.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

This morning Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Deputy Govern^{r}: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David and to the Dep: Governour only both dated the 29th: Ins^{t}: 31

This Evening received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 29th: Instant.

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NOVEMBER ℔mo: The President received a Letter from Mr: Daniel du Bois on board the Tavestock at Anjengo, who arrived there the 9th: past from England, incloseing a Printed Act of Parliament for Incorporating the Old East India Company.

4 This being the Kings birthday, was more particularly chosen for publishing the Act of Parliament for settleing our Rt: Honble: Masters, upon occasion of both which Solemnitys, the Govern[r]. and Councill and all the Inhabitants of this place mett at the Companys Garden House, where there was provided a splendid Entertainment.

5 Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam, dated the 23d: October last, with the severall papers therein mention'd.

WEDNESDAY 6TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL

The Councill being duly summon'd
Mr Ellis *indispos'd* & Mr: Marshall at ye: Mount.

Mint Accots: for September, read. Letters recd: & sent read.

The President read his Mint Accts: for the month September last.

Generall Letters from Fort St: David dated the 29th: October last and Metchlepatam, dated the 23d: ditto. Also to Metchlepatam of this date read, and the latter approv'd.

Bill from Fort St: David paid.

Whereas a Bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Govern[r]: &c[a]: Councill of Fort St: David dated the 28th: October last for Four thousand Pags: being on the 4th: Instant presented, 'twas unanimously approv'd to be then paid, and the same was accordingly paid.

Pags: 12,000 paid into cash by the Warehousekeeper.

Mr: Thomas Wright, Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys cash Twelve thousand Pagodas on Acct: Goods and Silver sold.

Metchlepatam bill Exchange order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Ten thousand Pags: be paid to Muddu Perrimal & Yendoor Trippaty, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif &c: Councill at Metchlepatam, dated the 23d: October last.

To sell Perpetuances at 6 Pags: ℔ Peice.

Whereas by Consultation of the 7th: August the Warehousekeeper was Order'd to sell Perpetuans: at Pags: 6: 18 ℔ peice, since which he has Dispos'd of none except for the use of the Garrison, So considering that they lye and Perish, 'Tis Order'd that he sell them off (if possible) at six Pagoda's ℔ peice.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

7 Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Metchlepm: dated the 23d: October last, with the severall papers therein mention'd.

FRIDAY 7TH The following Order was sign'd: by the Govr: & Councill.

Order'd that Pags: 1088: 1[8] be paid Mr: Roger Braddyll, being both Principal & Interest due on a Bond dated the 13th: November 1699 for One thousand Pagoda's.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMS: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.

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Doud Cawn sent the President five Shawls with a kind Letter, which were receiv'd at the Garden, the Councill and many of the Inhabitants being present, whereupon 21 great guns were Discharg'd from the ffort. 12

Att a Consultation — Saturday 16

Present

Thomas Pitt President and Governour
Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell
Mr: Ellis *indispos'd*

The President read his Acco[t]: of the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys cash for the month October last, Ballance being Pag[s]: 36258: 15: 4, also his Mint Account for ditto month. Charles Bugden Secretary read his Acco[t]: Passes for ditto month and pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: cash Two Pag[s]: their part and M[r]: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Warehouse Acco[t]: for the month September last

The Accot: of the Rt: H: C: cash for October month, The Mint Acco[t]: The Secrys: Acco[t]: Fees for Passes and Warehouse acco[t]: all read.

Whereas there was an order issued out from the Govern[r]: & Councill dated 17th: September last for the effectuall preventing the Working Goldsmiths of this place from Debascing Silver & Gold given them to work up, since which, there having been numerous complaints to us, that the said order is impracticable & vexatious to y[e]: Inhabitants, by reason that those who make Plate or Jewells of Silver or Gold commonly have Goldsmiths to work in their houses clandestenly, which plate or Jewells, if made Publick by stamping, would occasion severall inconveniencys to the Proprietors of the same, for which reasons & many others that have been given us, wee the Gov[r]: & Councill do hereby reverse the said order, and for the future, if any person or persons shall complain to us or the Justices of the Choultry, that any Goldsmith has debased Silver or Gold given him to work up, upon proof thereof hee or they shall not only have reperation for what injury done them, but also the Offender punished according to the Merit of the ffact. And this wee Order to be published in all Languages & Affixt at the severall Gates as usuall.

The Order of y[e]: 17th: Sepr[r]: last to the working Goldsmiths revers'd & why.

M[r]: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R[t]: H: Comp[s]: cash Eleven thousand Pagodas on Acco[t]: Silver sold.

Pags: 11000 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper.

The Joint Stock Merchants complaining their great want of money to carry on their present Investment, alledgeing they are obliged to advance great sums to the weavers at y[e]: Looms, Wee considering the reasonableness of their request and that they have brought in a good quantity of Cloth, It is agreed that Twenty thousand Pagod[s]: be paid them in further part of their Contract dated the 17th: August last for 150000 Pagodas.

Pags: 20000, Order'd to be paid the Merchts:

There being about 40 Garse Bengall Rice in the Warehouse & about 20 Garse Paddy w[ch]: was Bought in as a Store for the Garrison, also about 4 Garse Bengall Wheat, which has lain a long time in the Godown & now beginning to spoil, It is therefore order'd that all the Wheat and one half of the aforemention'd Rice & Paddy be sold at the price currant, to prevent further damage.

Store of Grain to be sold to prevent damage.

Tho: Pitt.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
John Meverell.

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18TH 22 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 14th: Instant.
Received Generall Letter from Maddapollam, dated the 6th: Instant with the threo accompanying musters of Betteela's.
Also from Vizagapatam dated the 2^{d}: Instant with their Acco^{t}: Cash for the months of Septemb^{r}: & October last, likewise copy of their Contract for Fourteen thousand Pagodas deliverable by the 30th: January next, with the severall musters of Cloth the said Contract is agreed upon.

SATURDAY 23 ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
M^{R}: JOHN : MEVERELL

MESS^{RS}: ELLIS & EMPSON *indispos'd*, & M^{R}: MARSHALL *at the Mount.*

The Ballance of the Sea Custo: Acco^{ts}; dureing M^{r}: Wright's time paid into Cash and Pag^{s}; 1,000 by Ye: Present Custom^{r}: The Stewards Acco^{t}: for October M^{o}: read. Letter from Fort S^{t}: David, read. & 28 parcells of Pag^{s}: & fanams rec^{d}; thence deliverd to be Essay'd. Two bills of Exchange from Fort S^{t}: David order'd to be paid. Letters received, read. Pags: 18,000 paid into Cash by the Warehouse-keeper. Pag^{s}: 25 paid the Town Conicoply. The Jo: Stock Merch^{ts}; refuseing other Pag^{s}: than Madrass, Tevanapatam Pag^{s}: to be put into the Mint & coin'd.

M^{R}: Thomas Wright late Sea Customer pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Pag^{s}: 252 : 18 : 20 being with the List of Debts amounting to Pag^{s}: 19: 18: 30 (now produc'd) the Ballance of the Sea Custom Acco^{ts}: dureing his time ending the last July 1700. And M^{r}: Matthew Empson, Sea Customer pays Pag^{s}: One thousand on that Acco^{t}: by M^{r}: Wigmore the Receiver.

Mr Henry Davenport produc'd his Steward's Acco^{t}: of Diet Expences for the month October last, which was read & approv'd.

Generall Letter from ffort S^{t}: David dated the 14th: Instant read, and therewith receiveing twentyeight parcells of Pagodas & fanams Coin'd there all amounting to Pag^{s}: 13 : 20 the same are deliver'd the Mintmaster to be Essay'd and ffort S^{t}: David order'd to have credit for that Sum.

Order'd that Pag^{s}: 152 : 18 be paid Charles Bugden & Pag^{s} : 58 : 25 be paid M^{r}: John Affleck being for two Bills drawn by the Dep: Govern^{r}: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David.

Generall Letter from Maddapollam dated the 6th: Instant and from Vizagapatam dated the 2^{d}: ditto both read.

M^{r}. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Eighteen thousand Pag^{s}: on Acco^{t}: Silver and Goods sold.

Order'd that Twenty five Pagodas be paid Wotta Lingua Town Conicopley for three mo^{ths}: ending the ult^{o}: October last.

Whereas 'twas order'd by the Govern^{r}: & Councill on the 16th: Instant, that the Joint Stock Merch^{ts}: should be paid Twenty thousand Pag^{s}: on acco^{t}: of their last Contract, the President accordingly tender'd the same in Pagodas Madrass, Tevenapatam, Olumgere, Policat &c^{a}: but the Merchants refused to accept thereof, alledgeing that none would pass up in the Country but Madrass Pag^{s}: of which wee had not in Cash above Two thousand five hundred, and no more procureable in y^{e}: Town whereupon (to prevent our Investment standing still) 'tis unanimously agreed that the President puts into the Mint to be melted down

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and new coin'd, all the Tevanapatam Pagoda's that hee has in Cash, by reason that they come nearest in weight and matt to our Madrass Pagoda's

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL

ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 27TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL
MR: MARSHALL *at the Mount.*

Generall Letter to the Cheif & Councill at Metchlepatam. A Protest to Mr: John Pitt the new Companys President & Councill at Metchlepm: To the Comander of the King William. To Medde Cawn Governour of Metchlepatam. To the Cheif & Councill of Vizagapatam and to the Cheif and Councill of Maddapollam, all of this Date read & approv'd. — Letters &cª: sent, read.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys cash Eighteen thousand Pagodas on Accot: Silver and Goods sold. — Pags: 18,000 paid into Cash by the Warehouse-keeper.

The President now produceing the Accot: of 328 peices of Chints taken in by Order of Consultn: dated the 15th: October last and sent to England ℔ Ship Howland, amounting to Pags: 1450: 21: 30, the same is order'd to be paid him. — 328 ps: Chints to be paid for.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David datd: the 26th: Instant. — 29

Dispatch'd the severall Letters and papers mention'd in the foregoing consultation of the 27th: Instant ℔ Pattamars. — 30

Parr Recovery Charles Hopkins Master arrivd: from Bengall, by whom received Generall Letter from the President &cª: Councill of Fort William dated the 13th: past, with the copy of another datd: the 5th: September last. — DECEMBER 2

ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY 4TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: H: C: Cash for the month November last, Ballance being Pags: 52,737: 23: 3. Mr: Thomas Wright read his — Accot: Cash for the Mo: Novemr:

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Warehouse Accot: for Mo: Octobr; & Land Custom Accots: for do: Mo: all read.

Acco[t]: of the Warehouse for the month October last, and M[r]: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco[ts]: for ditto month particulars Viz[t]:

Choultry Custom	Pag[s]:	354:	5: 20
Trivlecane Custom	„	—:	4: —
Rubie Brokers	„	6:	19. 40
Cloth Brokers	„	1:	17: 15
Grass Cutters	„	2:	21: 60
Town Rents	,	35:	8: 78
	Pag[s]:	400:	4: 53

Pags: 392 pd: into Cash for Land Customs. Letter from Fort St: David, read.

and pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys cash Three hundred ninety two Pag[s]: on that account.

Generall Letter from Fort S[t]: David dated the 26th: November last, read.

Fort S[t]: David bill now presented order'd to be paid, & two others pd: without order of Consultation nowapprov'd. Letter rec[d:] and one sent, read.

Order'd that One hundred & fifty Pag[s]: be paid M[r]: Francis Bett being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Dep: Govern[r]: &c[a]: Councill of Fort S[t]: David dated the 26th: past. Also their two Bills both dated the 26th: November last, One for Pag[s]: Five thousand payable to Botchu Chittee & Colastra Chittee, the other for Seven thousand Pagodas payable to Vengana and Maura Chittee were agreed to be discharg'd and accordingly were paid when presented.

Generall Letter from Bengall dated 13th: Novemb[r]: last, also Generall Letter to Fort S[t]: David of this date, both read.

Gameing to be suppress & why.

Wee being inform'd that cock fighting and other Games are very much us'd and Practis'd by Handycraft Tradesmen of this place, wherein they consume the half of their time to their great impoverishment, by which they are render'd unable to provide for their Familys, besides it prevents the makeing of many manufactures in this place, and many other ill consequences attending it, destructive to the very Being of Trade itself, wherefore to Avert so great an Evil as will in time ensue thereby, Wee the Govern[r]: & Councill do prohibit & forbid all manner of Gameing for money or moneys worth by all Merchants, Shopkeepers and all sorts of Handycrafts of this place and the bounds thereof upon Penalty of paying Twenty five Pag[s]: every time 'tis prov'd upon them before the Justices of the Choultry that they have gain'd, Five Pagodas whereof to the informer, and the other twenty for the use of the Company. And in case upon proof, it appears tha any one has gamed for a trivial Sum̃, and that not to the Loss of time in his Profession, It is then left to the discretion of the Justices of the Choultry, to inflict such punishment by fine or otherwise as they shall think fitt. And this wee order to be published in the Country Languages, by Affixing the same at the severall Gates.

The Jo: Stock Merch[ts]; to reimburse the Pres[ts]: what Long Cloth & Salampores he has delivd; them more than what formerly rec[d]: The new Wall & works to be carried on by y[e]: Directions of the Governour.

Whereas the Councill did on the 11th: June last consent to the Presidents receiveing from the Warehousekeeper some Long Cloth and Salamp[rs]: belonging to the Joint Stock Merchants, which were torn and thrown out, hee obligeing himself to bring into the Companys Warehouse Goods to be there sorted by their Musters, which the Warehousekeeper reports was accordingly done some time past, to a greater value than he received, the overplush of which is to be made him good by the Joint Stock Merchants.

The Governour and Councill having surveigh'd and view'd Attapollam gate belonging to the black town, think it necessary to make a small work for clearing of the courtains on both sides, as also for the defence of the Gate, and therefore Order that the Paymaster forthwith getts all Materials together to do it as the Govern[r]: shall Direct, and likewise to carry on the wall on both sides of the aforesaid Gate, keeping an account apart of the charge thereof, to the end it

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may be Defray'd out of the money already collected and to be Levied for that purpose.

Sea Custom accots: for Mos: Augt: & September read.

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his accots: for the months of August & September last, particulars Vizt:

Augt:—To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month ...	Pags:	742 : 4 : 3
To Custom on Grain	„	378 : 23 : 90
To Anchorage	„	86 : 18 : —
To Tonnage	„	8 : 12 : —
	Pags:	1215 : 21 : 93
Sept:—To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month ...	Pa:	931 : 1 : 32
To Custom on Grain	„	297 : 27 : 90
To Anchorage	„	85 : — : —
To Tonnage	„	20 : 30 : —
	Pags:	2526 : 7 : 15

Pags: 600 to be pd: the Washers & Pags: 1000 the Paymaster.

Order'd that Six hundred Pags: be advanc'd to Paulo &c: Washers for cureing the Rt: H: Comps: cloth, and one thousand Pags: be paid Mr: Thoms: Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

6 Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam datd: the 24th: November last with their Diary & Consultn: comenceing 24th: September ending the 21st: Novr: last &cs: papers. Also Generall Letter from Madd[apm:] dated the 19th: ditto and all other papers therein mention'd.

7 Dispatch'd General Letter to ffort St: David dated the 4th: Instant.

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 9TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

The Paymasters accots: for October, read.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Accot: Disbursements for the month October last, particulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pags:	1114 : 29 : —.
Diet	„	220 : 35 : —.
Charges Generall	„	371 : 14 : —.
Charges Cattle	„	19 : 12 : —.
Charges Merchandize	„	28 : — : —.
Charges Extraordinary	„	72 : 2 : —.
Fortifications & Repairs	„	22 : 19 : —.
	Pags:	2717 : 27 : —.

Pags: 8000 paid into cash by the Warehousekeeper.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Eight thousd: Pagodas on accot: Silver and Goods sold.

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Pag^s: 1000 order'd to be ye: Paym^r: Letters received, read.

Order'd that one thousand Pag^s: be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the 24th: November and from Maddapollam dat: 19th: d^o: &c^a: papers, all read.

Pag^s: 200 paid into Cash for Paddy sold.

The President pays into the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: cash Two hundred Pag^s: being for so much Paddy deliver'd the Washers in M^r: Braddylls time.

Metchlepatam bill of Exchange order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Pag^s: 174: 18 be paid Messrs: George Lewis & Thomas Wigmore, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif &c^a: Councill at Metchlepatam dated the 24th: November last.

Pag^s: 800 pd: into Acco^t: Sea Customs & Pag^s: 121: 27: 4 for Town Conicoplys Duty at ye: Sea Gate.

M^r: Matthew Empson Sea Customer pays into the R^t: Honble: Companys cash Eight hundred Pag^s: on that acco^t: and M^r: Thomas Wigmore Receiver pays Pag^s: 121: 27: 4 being for Town Conicoplys Duty at the Sea Gate for eight m^{ths}: ending September last.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

10 Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dat^d: 18th: November last.

11 Ship Thankfull Richard Phrip Comander arriv'd from Bencoolen & Acheen by whom received the following Pacquets Viz^t:

Generall Letter from York Fort dated 15th: March $\frac{1699}{700}$ with the severall papers as ℔ List to N^o: 14.

From ditto dated 22^d: July last &c^a: papers to N^o: 8.

From [P]ryamong dated 31st: ditto.

THURSDAY 12TH

ATT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

Letters received, read.

Generall Letters from Vizagapatam dat: 18th: November last, from York Fort dated 15th: March last, and another from ditto of the 22^d: July last, a[lso] from [P]ryamong dated the 31st: ditto, all read.

European entertain'd Soldier.

Order'd that Daniel Cane be Entertain'd a Sold^r: in this Garrison.

The Arrac farm Lett out for three years at 3400 pag^s: ℔ an:

The Lease for the Arrac farm expireing the 14th: Instant, wee have for some time past had it under our consideration how to advance this ffarm in order to which, have sent severall times for Peter des Pommare the present ffarmer to know what hee would advance, who refused to give anything more than hee did the last year (which was Three thousand Pagodas) supposeing that nobody else would meddle with it: But the President procureing Josua Page and others to Bid, rais'd it to 3300 Pag^s: ℔ annum, for a Lease for three years, whereupon 'twas agreed that Joshua Page &c^a: should have it, so order'd the former Arrac farmer to deliver up the Distills &c^a: as he receiv'd them from his Predecessor which when Peter des Pommare saw that wee had lett it for Three hundred Pag^s: ℔ ann: Advance, hee offer'd one hundred Pag^s: ℔ ann: more, upon which wee prevail'd with Joshua Page &c^a: to quitt their agreement, and for the same, 'twas agreed that the President should pay them One hundred Pagodas, and that Peter des Pommare should have a new Lease granted him for Three thousand four hundred Pagodas ℔ ann: to comence from the expiration of his last Lease.

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Wee having often endeavour'd to lett out to ffarm the Beetle, Tobacco and Ganjee together, and being now again offer'd Eight thousand Pag^{s}: ℔ annum, which is considerably more than wee make of it, so have resolv'd to Lett it, and accordingly have granted a Cowle to Ponnagettee Nørso, Vincaty puttee, Narrain Chittee & Yellaree for three years to commence from the 17th: Instant. The Beetle, Tobacco, & Ganjee farmed for 3 years at 8000 p gs: ℔ annum.

There being a Duty here formerly collected cal'd the Town Brokerage upon what Bought & Sold, a moiety of which was paid the Company, and the other to the Broker^{s}, who wee are assured have not delt farely with the Company, their Moiety yearly amounting to but One hundred & odd Pag^{s}: and sometimes under; So have thought fitt to Lett it to Peerah, Gerie Dashew, Mahoo Devah & Parvahtiah for three years at Four hundred Pagodas ℔ Ann: to commence from the 17th: Instant, by which means wee hope not only to find the true value of it, but also discover the ill practises of those that has had the management thereof for severall years past, in order to call 'em to an Acco^{t}: for the same. The Town Brokerage, whereof the Comp^{a}: formerly only rec^{d}: a Moiety, now Lett for 3 years at 400 pag^{s}: ℔ ann:

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ketch Recovery Charles Hopkins Master saild for Fort S^{t}: David, by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of this date. 21ST

Ship Simon [*Lacuna in the original*] Rose Master arrived from Vizagaptam. 23

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date. 24

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 30

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Accounts for the month November last, and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Seventeen thousand Pagoda's on acco^{t}: Silver and Goods sold. Warehouse Acco^{t}: for Nov^{r}: read & Pag^{s}: 17000 paid into cash by ye: Warehouse-keeper.

Order'd that Caecer S^{t}: Iago be Entertain'd a Soldier in this Garrison. [To] pass entertain'd Soldier.

Ship Prospect Francisco Nunis Master being bound to the Southward, and hee having promis'd to call at ffort S^{t}: David, Order'd that Five thousand Pagodas be sent on her, the Deputy Govr: &c^{a}: Councill having lately wrote pressingly for money. Pag^{s}: 5000 to be sent to Fort S^{t}: David ℔ Ship Prospect.

M^{r}: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his Acco^{ts}: for the month October last, particulars Viz^{t}: Sea Custom Acco^{ts}: for October, read and

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this month ...	Pag^{s}:	1008:	35:	60
To Custom on Grain	,,	24:	28:	10
To Anchorage	,,	15:	—:	—
To Tonnage	,,	8:	12:	—
	Pag^{s}:	1057:	3:	70

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Pags: 800 Paid into Cash by the Sea Customer.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Eight hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Land Customers Accot: for Novr: read &

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer read his Accots: for the month of November last, particulars Vizt:

Choultry Custom	Pags	303 : 33 : 50
Trivlecane Custom	,,	—: 4: 15
Rubie Brokers	,,	24 : 19 : 64
Cloth Brokers	,,	—: 32: 5
Registring Slaves	,,	1 : 1 : —
	Pags	330 : 29 : 54

Pags: 324 paid into Cash by the Land Customer.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Three hundred twenty four Pags: on Acct: Land Customs.

Pags: 1000 to be paid ye: Paymr: and Pags: 1000 the Washers. Letter recd: and another sent, read.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison, and One thousand Pagoda's be advanc'd to Paulo &ca: washers for cureing the Rt: Honble: Companys cloth.

Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 10th: Instant, and to Fort St: David of this date, both read.

Hugh Kennedys bond to be deliver'd his Trustee, his Debt to ye: Comps: being Discharg'd

The York Fort Generall Letter dated the 15th: March last adviseing that Mr: Hugh Kennedys Bond to the Rc: Honble: Company for Six hundred ninety Dollars is made good in their Cash there, It is agreed that the said Bond be deliver'd to Mr: George Lewis his Trustee.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell

31st Ship Prospect ffrancisco Nunis sail'd for Fort St: David, by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep: Governr: &ca: Councill of yesterdays date, incloseing Bill Lading for Five thousand Pagodas.

List of persons in the Service of the Rt: Honble: English East India Company in Fort St: George &ca: Places on the Coast of Choromandell.

	Arrival in India.	Present Degree.	Salary. £.
1. Thomas Pitt his wife in England ...	July 7th: 1698.	Govr:	200
		Gratuity	100
2. Francis Ellis Accomptant	June 23, 1672.	2d: Coun[l]:	100
3. Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper married E.W.	June 16, 1684.	3 Coun[l]:	70
4. Matthew Empson Sea Customer married Casteez	July 20, 1687.	4 Coun[l]:	50
5. Thomas Marshall Paymr: & Judge Advocate Mard: E.W.	Febry: 3, 169¾.	5 Coun[l]:	40
		as Judge	100
6. John Meverell Land Customer	July 22, 1687.	6 Coun[l]:	40
7. Francis Bett Provl: Storekeeper & Rentall Genl:	... ...	Senr: Merchl:	40
8. Vicessimus Griffith Searcher at Sea Gate mard: Casteez	May 29, 1685.	Ditto	40
9. Richard Hunt under the Accomptant ...	... ...	Ditto	40
10. Matt: Mead Attry: Genl: & Sorter Entertain'd here, mard: E.W. ...	Janry: 1, 169¾.	Ditto	40
		as Attry: Genl:	50

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		Arrival in India.	Present Degree.	Salary. £.
11.	Thomas Wigmore Receiver of the Sea Customs mar^{d}: E. W.	Nov^{r}: 23, 1692.	Senr: Merch^{t}:	40
12.	John Penford Assistant to the Land Customer	Nov^{r}: 23, 1692.	Ditto	40
13.	Thomas Lovell	Feb^{y}: 3, 169$\frac{3}{4}$	Merch^{t}:	30
14.	Gulston Addison Under Searcher at the Sea Gate	Febr^{y}: 3, 169$\frac{3}{4}$.	Merch^{t}:	30
15.	Charles Bugden Secretary mar^{d}: Casteez.	Nov^{r}: 23, 1692.	Ditto Gratuity	30 10
16.	Tho: Harris Translater of Jentu & Look after y^{e}: New Towns m^{d}: Casteez ...	Nov^{r}: 23, 1692.	Merch^{t}:	30
17.	Henry Dobyns Register married E.W. ...	Feb^{y}: 19, 169$\frac{6}{7}$.	Factor	15
18.	Thomas Matthews at the Sea Gate ...	Nov^{r}: 21, 1697.	Ditto	15
19.	William Bull	May 31, 1699.	Ditto	15
20.	Henry Davenport Steward	Feb^{r}: 4, 169$\frac{9}{0}$.	Writer	5
21.	William Jennings under y^{e}: Warehouse-keeper	July 2, 1700.	Ditto	5
22.	William Dean under the Secretary ...	July 18, 1700.	Ditto	5
23.	George Lewis } Ministers.			
24.	James Wendey }			
25.	Edward Bulkley Surgeon.			
26.	Francis Cook } Essaymasters.			
27.	John Cook }			

Fort S^{t}: David.

1.	William Fraser Esqr:	May 31st: 1685.	D. Govr:	
2.	John Haynes Book-keeper & Coin Melter of Cuddalore	... ...	2^{d}: Councill	40
3.	Ralph Ingram Warehousekeeper Mar^{d}: E.W.	... ...	3 Coun^{l}:	40
4.	Edmund Mountague Sea Customer of Cuddalore	... ...	4 Coun^{l}:	40
5.	Richard Farmer Paymaster mar^{d}: E.W.	Septemb^{r}: 5, 1684.	5 Coun^{l}:	40
6.	Trevor Games Land Customer Cuddalore mar^{d}: Casteez	June 6, 1688.	6 Coun^{l}:	40
7.	Robert Cranwell Storekeeper	July 22, 1687.	7 Coun^{l}:	40
8.	John Berlu Sea & Land Customer of Tevenapatam	July 22, 1687.	8 Coun^{l}:	40
9.	Edward Bawgus Translater of Country Letters	Nov^{r}: 5, 1689.	Merch^{t}:	30
10.	John Bulteel Secretary	October 1, 1692.	Ditto	30
11.	Joseph Royer Chirurgeon.			

Metchlepatam.

1.	John Foquett married E.W.	October 15, 1687.	Cheif	40
2.	Joseph Hiller married E W.	Nov^{r}: 23, 169$\frac{2}{3}$.	2 Coun^{l}:	40
3.	Thomas Faucett m^{d}: E.W.	... ...	3 Coun^{l}:	30
4.	Edmund Bugden m^{d}: E.W.	Nov^{r}: 23, 169$\frac{2}{3}$.	4 Coun^{l}:	30

Vizagapatam.

1.	Simon Holcombe married E.W.	May 31, 1685.	Cheif	40
2.	Samuel Owen Book-keeper	July 30, 1682.	2 Coun^{l}:	40
3.	Thomas Stables Warehousekeeper ...	... ...	3 Coun^{l}:	40

Madapollam.

1.	Stephen Frewen	February 3, 169$\frac{3}{4}$.	Cheif	40
2.	John Rowland	February 4, 169$\frac{3}{4}$.	2 Coun^{l}:	30
3.	Jeremiah Harrison Entertain'd in India.	July 15, 1700.	3 Coun^{l}:	30

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List of Freemen Inhabitants.

1. Daniel Chardin married French Woman.
2. John Affleck married Casteez.
3. George Heron married Georgeon.
4. James Sowdon.
5. Jeremiah Peachie.
6. Charles Fleetwood.
7. William Brooke married E.W.
8. Roger Braddyll.
9. William How
10. Samuel Glover.
11. John Powell.
12. John Barker, married Musteez.
13. Joshua Page his wife in England.
14. Simon Kilpatrick.
15. Charles Bromsted.
16. Henry Whistler.
17. George Turvil, married Musteez.
18. Charles Alleyn.
19. William Mayhew married Musteez.
20. Christopher Allen married Musteez.
21. Peter Grossin married Casteez.
22. William Griffin.
23. Charles Chardin.
24. Thomas Nicholas.
25. Thomas Bowyear.
26. John Cornelious.
27. Joseph Newman.
28. Samuel Berthon.
29. Peter des Pommare mar[d]: Musteez.

List of Sea-fareing men not constant Inhabit[s]:

1. Robert Pitt.
2. Edward Fleetwood married E W.
3. Charles Fleetwood married E.W.
4. Maxamilion Fleetwood.
5. Armiger Gostlin married E.W.
6. Joseph Lister.
7. Richard Phrip.
8. Samuel Hart married Casteez.
9. John Wheeler married E.W.
10. Henry Griffith married Casteez.
11. Christopher Dixon married Casteez.
12. Henry Harnett mar[d]: E.W.
13. William Morrice.
14. John Tyler, mar[d]: E.W.
15. George Weoley.
16. William Handcock.
17. John Cockroft married Musteez.
18. William Leggat married Casteez.
19. Zachariah Stilgo mar[d]: E.W.
20. Owen Channell mar[d]: E.W.
21. Thomas Plumb mar[d]: Casteez.
22. Edward Bell mar[d]: Musteez.
23. William Cawley, his wife in England.
24. William Rogers.
25. Richard Rawlings.
26. Samuel Heaton married E.W.
27. Peter Eyes.
28. Charles Hopkins.
29. John Ferguson.
30. Roger Newberry.
31. Lockyre Watts.
32. Thom[s]: Edwards married Casteez.
33. John Wesendonck mar[d]: E.W.
34. William Soame.
35. Peter Wallis.
36. Peter Griffi[th].
[37.] John [ ].
[38.] Edm[d]: Ford mar[d]: Casteez.
[39.] Gersham Goldsmith.

Widows.

1. Eliz · Trenchfeild.
2. Margery Heathfeild.
3. Elizabeth Carrell.
4. Ursula Oneal.
5. Mary Lacy.
6. Sarah How.
7. Mary Ivory.
8. Susanna Harbin.
9. Mary Gyfford.
10. Eliz: Parham.
11. Elizabeth Goodman.

Young Women Unmarried.

1. Lucy Poirier.
2. Ann Masters.
3. Isabella Budd.
4. Mary Man.
5. Ann Wright.
6. Judith Paine.
7. [. . .] Middleton.
8. Theopalah Heathfeild.

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——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1700-1*——

The Consultation and Diary [Book] of Thomas Pitt Esqr : President & Govr : &c^{a} : Councill their Proceedings and Transactions in the Affairs of the R^{t} : Honble : English East India Company in the Presidency of the Coast of Choromandell &c^{a} : Begun the $\overline{\text{p}}^{\text{mo}}$: Jan^{ry} : [1700-1.]

Received Generall Letters from Metchlepatam 23^{d} : December last and from Maddapollam [. . .] with the severall papers mention'd in both [pacquetts.] 2.

ATT A CONSULTATION — SATURDAY 4.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated [23^{d}] December last and from Maddapollam dated [. . .] &c^{a} : papers in both pacquetts, all read.

Mr Thomas Marshall Paymaster read [his] Disbursements for the month Novemb^{r} : [. . .]. [Pay] mrs : Accots : for Novr : read.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s} :	1111 : [33 :]
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Wee being inform'd that Doud Cawn with his army draws near Arcott, and there being various reports of their comeing near this place, wee think it necessary and order that the warehousekeeper buys in One hundred Garse of Paddy for Store, and that the Rice in the Godowns (which is decaying) be Dispos'd off, as also the old Paddy & Wheat. [Grain] to be [bought &] why. Grain to be sold.

THO : PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{s} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Genl : Letter to Metchlep^{m} : of yesterdays Date. 5.
Ship Pearl ffrancisco Cardoza Master arrived from Acheen. 7.

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THURSDAY 9

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Warehousekeeper pays] 6000 pags: [Wm Dean] under the [Paymr:] Letters &cs: sent read.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash six thousand Pagodas on Accot: Silver and Goods sold.

Order'd that William Dean be assistant to the Paymaster.

Generall Letters to Metchelepatam & [Madapollam] and an answer to the Protest of Mr: John [Pitt the new] Companys President at Maddapollam, all of [. . .] date, read.

Pags: 1000 Order'd the Paymr: Pags: 1281 paid into Cash Accot: Joint Stock Merchants.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodas be paid to Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges of the Garrison.

The Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: [Honble: Comps:] Cash Twelve hundred eighty one Pags: being for turn'd out Cloth Sold at Outcry Accot: the old [cloth] for which sum the Joint Stock Merchants [. . .] order'd to have credit.

Tobacco Managers Accot: read: Pag: 670 paid into Cash for Tobacco sold.

Mr: Richard Hunt late Tobacco Manager [reads] his Accot: for the months September: Octobr: Novr: and to the 17th: December last and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash six hundred seventy Pagodas on Accot: Tobacco sold.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOMs: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

10. Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David the 7th: Instant &cs: papers inclosed [with . . .] of their Journall & Ledger Letter K.

11. Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Chief & Councill of Metchlepatam and Maddapollam, inclosed an answer to the Protest of Mr: John Pitt the new Companys President at Maddapollam, all dated the 9th: Instant &cs: papers.

FRIDAY 17

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Comps:] Accot: Cash for Decr: read.

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash for the month December last Ballance being Pags: 35394: 24: 4.

Bill Exchange from [Fort St:] David for 5000 Pags: paid.

Yesterday being a Bill presented us and this day another both dated the 10th: Instant drawn by the Depy: Govr: and Councill of Fort St: David Vizt: One for Five thousand Pagodas payable to Maura Chittee and Ramanaigue and one for Five thousand Pagodas payable to Botchu Chittee and Collastre Chittee, who being very urgent for the money, alledgeing the great necessity for the expeditious carrying on their Invest[ment], It was unanimously agreed & accordingly the former paid yesterday, and the latter is now order'd to be paid, althô no Letter of advice is yet Received.

[Letter recd: read.] Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 7th: Instant read.

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Considerable Presents order'd [to be sent to] Doud Cawn Nabob &c^{a} ; Officers at Arcott.

Doud Cawn being order'd by the King Nabob of the Cornatta and Chingee Countrys, who has been severall months on his march from the Kings Camp, Few daies ago wee were advis'd (by people that wee keep in his camp to get us inteligence) that hee was come to Arcott about four daies march from hence. Wee have had severall Letters of complement from him, wherein hee has desired sundry sorts of Liquors, which accordingly have been sent him, and it being the custom of all Europeans to Present all Nabobs and Govern^{rs}: when they come first to their Governments, in order to procure a confirmation of their Priviledge besides at present wee are carrying on a great Investment here and at Fort S^{t}: David, and have a great deal of money spread up and down the Country ; further few days ago wee have advice from Surat by Armenian Letters, that our Affairs are Embroile there by false informations of that most impious Beutifeus S^{r}: Nicholas Waites, [all] which induc'd us to consider of a considerable Present for the Nabob and Duan &c^{a} : Officers, and fitting persons to send with it, thô before wee heard the news from Surat, wee intended to have sent two Englishmen, but alter'd our resolution, not knowing but that the troubles that may effect us here, so there being One Senr : Nicholas Manuch a Venitian and an inhabitant of ours for many years who has the reputation of an honest man besides, hee has liv'd at the King's Court upwards of thirty years and was a servant to one of the Princes, and speaks the Persian Language excellent well, for which reasons wee think [him] the properest person to send at this time with our Cheif Dubash Ramapah, and have unanimously agreed with the advice of all that were capable of giving it, to send the following Presents so in order to their setting out tomorrow on their Journey, have deliver'd in our Instructions and Letters as enter'd after this Consultation.

FOR DOUD CAWN NABOB VIZ^{t} :

Particulars of y: Present to Doud Cawn Nabob.

Brass Guns & Carriages	2	... Pag^{a} :	114 :	18 :
Screens	1 p^{r} :	... „	268 :	—
Looking Glass large	1 p^{r} :	... „	80 :	—
Silver Trunk Manilha Work ...	1	... „	20 :	—
China Velvet flower'd wth Gold	1	... „	35 :	—
English Velvet red	8 Y^{ds} :	... „	36 :	—
Do. blue	8 Y^{ds} :	... „	36 :	—
Blunderbusses	1 p^{r} :	... „	9 :	—
Fowling peices fine	2 p^{rs} :	... „	14 :	—
Pistolls	1 p^{r} :	... „	7 :	—
Prospective Glass	1 p^{r} :	... „	3 :	—
Junk China	1	... „	16 :	—
Broad Cloth white	1 p^{s} :	... „	35 :	—
Concave Glasses	3	... „	2 :	9
Musk	½ Seer	... „	7 :	—
Penknives	4	... „	— :	16
Sword blades	6	... „	8 :	18
Broad Cloth Yellow	1 p^{s} :	... „	30 :	—
China Silk	1 p^{s} :	... „	12 :	—
Small Drinking Glasses	12	... „	2 :	—
Cordiall	37½ : Gall. ...	... „	19 :	—
French Brandy wth : Leaf Gold ...	50 bottles ...	... „	18 :	27
Flint ware	15 p^{s} : p^{z} : 34½ lb.	... „	45 :	4
Jentsum	3 oz. ...	... „	15 :	—
Perpetuanoes for caseing the small arms.	3 y^{ds} : ...	... „	1 :	—
Rupees	3000	... „	857 :	10
		Pag^{a} :	1091 :	30

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FOR MAHOMUD SYDE, DUAN VIZR:

Partiulars of the Present to Mahomed Syde Duan.

Looking Glass large	1	Pags:	11: —
Sword blades	4	„	4: 14
China strip'd Velvet	1 ps:	„	19: 18
Penknives	2	„	—: 8
Concave Glass	1	„	—: 27
Broad Cloth Aurora	1 ps:	„	30: —
Broad Cloth Yellow	1 ps:	„	30: —
Velvet flower'd with Gold	1 ps:	„	34: 9
Broad Cloth white	1 ps:	„	35: —
Flint ware	13 ps: 1 pz: 17 lb.	„	21: 9
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Provisionall Presents.

Presents sent with SenR: Manuch & Ramapah to be dispos'd if occasion requires VizR:

Flint ware	24 ps: Pz: 30 lb.	Pags:	38: —
Broad Cloth Green ordy:	2 ps:	„	30: —
Broad Red ordinary	1 ps:	„	15: —
Velvet strip'd	1 ps:	„	19: 18
Sword blades	3	„	4: 16
Spectacles	12 Cases	„	3: —
Looking Glasses of 12 inches	8	„	12: —
Do. of 7 do.	6	„	4: —
China Silk	3 ps:	„	34: —
Spirits	4 Cases	„	11: —
Knives	2 Cases	„	2: 18
Broad Cloth Crimson	1 ps:	„	45: —
Perpetuanoes fine	6 ps:	„	42: —
Rupees	Two thousand.	„	571. —
			831: 16
Paid SenR: Manuch to Equip himself	Ps: 50		
Paid Ramapa for do:	„ 25	„	75: —
		Pags:	906: 16

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THOS: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

INSTRUCTIONS TO SENR: NICHOLA MANUCH AND RAMAPA ON THEIR GOING TO WAITE ON DOUD CAWN NABOB AT ARCOTT.

Instructions to the persons sent with the Presents to the Nabob &cs: officers.

The great hopes wee have of your fidelity and Prudence induces us to send You to the New Nabob with considerable Presents, of which wee here give you a List. The Nabobs Present and Duans wee have allowed here, and deliver you severall things for Presents, for you to Dispose off as you see occasion. Wee also deliver you Letters of complement for the Nabob & Duan, and the most considerable persons in the Camp.

Wee have nothing to ask of the Nabob and Duan, but the confirmation of our Priviledge here and att Tevenapatam, and that all our Business in the Country may go on according to Salabad; and that you may not forgett wee here mention some particular agrevance which wee would have provided for in the Nabobs Perwanna.

That no Moneys be extorted from our Merchants in the Countrys where they provide there [*sic*] Goods which ought to pass all Places according to Salabad, and that no Governour be permitted to make stops and demand new Cash as the GovernR: of St: Thoma has of late.

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That the Juncaneers about us demand nothing for Provisions or Goods in and out but according to Salabad, and that when y^e^: King's duty is paid, shall be Lawfull for any to take away their Goods, whereas they often make stops to extort money for themselves.

That if wee have any Ships, Boats or Goods cast away in any of the Kings Dominions no Governour shall make any pretence to it but that we shall have liberty to carry away whatever is sav'd.

Our Merchants Goods to pass secure from being rob'd or plunder'd, and whenever it soe happens, that the Govr: of that Country shall make it Good.

What Perwanna's you procure, remember to get three or four copys attested by the Cojee in the Camp.

From the Various reports that have been and are still going, Wee have reason to beleive severall things will be objected against us, knowing that this place is not only envyed by the Country Govern^rs^: but by all Europeans too, wee therefore as a memorandum give you the following advice.

If any thing be said about our Revenues which are generally magnify'd four times as much as they are, 'tis to be answer'd, that 'tis paid by none but our own Inhabitants, who are inrich'd by our Trade solely and are daily getting money from us, which had long ago ruin'd us, had not wee sett up Revenues to regain some money from them towards defraying our great charges.

Wee are told that Timapa Peddee Naigue is busie in complaining against us for not having the Peddee Naigues place here w^ch^: upon strict examination 'twas found hee had no [right] to itt, besides hee barbarously murther'd seve[ral] Inhabitants of this place, after which the present Govern^r^: comeing and sending for him to hear what hee could say for himself, which was little or nothing, so hee return'd again, but the Govr: was forc'd to send a strong guard with him, or otherwise the relations of those hee Murther'd would have fell on him, besides wee could not think ourselves secure under such a watchman, and their Cowle also was never granted but dureing pleasure.

If anything be said in relation to our makeing fortifications, may be answer'd, that wee are always when new Gov^rs^: come, pulling down one thing and building another and repairing.

Remember to procure an Order for our Peons and people to travell unmollested between [this] and Tevenapatam, whereas now they stop all our people at Boomypollam and force money from them, besides offering insufferable affronts, which being complain'd of to Jemsheer Cawn, hee made 'em restore Money & prevented further troubles dureing his time.

The Govern^r^: of S^t^: Thoma have given our people the like trouble near Policat.

Dated in Fort S^t^: George the 16th: January 1700.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM^s^: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM^s^: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To DOUD CAWN NABOB.

I have with great impatience waited for your arrival at Arcott, which being inform'd of two days ago I celebrated with great Joy & immediately prepar'd my people to wait on you with such acknowledgements of Respects I was capable of provideing. A List of all which comes inclosed, whereof I humbly request yor: Excelly^s^: acceptance, and what I add to it is, my hearty wishes for your good health and prosperity and a long continuance in your Government. Presidents Letter to be deliv^d^: to Nabob w^th^: the Publick Present.

Fort S^t^: George 16th: January 170$\frac{0}{1}$.

THOM^s^: PITT.

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To Doud Cawn Nabob.

[Letter to] be deliver'd privately with[...] Rupees.

I congratulate yo[r]: Excell[ys]: arrivall at Arcott and have sent M[r]: Manuch and our Egyp Ramapa to confirm the same, and to give me an acco[t]: of your good health, and to request Your Excell[ys]: favor to us in confirming our ancient priviledges at Chinapatam and Tevenapatam. I wish Yo[r]: Excell[y]: all health and prosperity and a long continuance in your Governm[t]: under whom I doubt not but all will be happy.

Thom[s]: Pitt.

To Mamood Syde Duan.

The Presidt[s]: Letter to Ye: Duan at Arcott.

'Twas good news to me to hear of your arrivall at Arcott, upon which I have Dispatch'd to you Sen[r]: Manuch and our Egyp Ramapa, by whom I have sent Your Hon[r]: a small acknowledgement, and request under your wise and just discretion of affairs our Business may go on according to Salabad. God preserve your Hon[r]: and send you health and prosperity. Fort S[t]: George 16th: Jan[ry]: 170[0/1.]

Thomas Pitt.

To the Buxie
To Alawartee Beague
To the Congnye: &
To Vincatraw: were Letters wrote to the same purport as the above.

18. Sen[r]: Manuch & Ramapa early this morning from the Companys new Garden sett forward on their Journey to Arcott with the Present for Doud Cawn &c[a]: officers.

19. Received Generall Letters from Fort S[t]: David dated the 16th: Instant.

20. Early this morning arrived ship Gosfrig[ht] Edward Harrison Comander and Supra Cargo from China, Malacca & Acheen, who com[ing] ashore, acquaints hee belongs to the Sep[erate] Stock.

Monday 20

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Three Portugueze entertain'd Souldiers.

Order'd that Veleir Rowlee, Manuel de Rosario and Domingo Corree be entertain'd souldiers in this Garrison.

Letter from Fort S[t]: David read.

Generall Letter from Fort S[t]: David dated the 16th: Instant, read.

Fort S[t]: David bill order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Pag[s]: 470: 29: be paid the Presid[t]: being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Govern[r]: &c[a]: Councill of Fort S[t]: David dated 15th: Instant.

[Pags:] 1100 paid into Cash by Serapa for goods bought.

Serapa pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: cash Eleven hundred Pag[s]: being for Goods formerly bought out of the warehouse upon his particular account.

Pags: 100 order'd ye: Paymr: Letter to Fort S[t]: David, read.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Generall Letter to ffort S[t]: David dated the 18th: Ins[t]: read and approved.

[Pags:] 20000 order'd ye: Jo[t]: Stock Merchants.

Order'd that Twenty thousand Pagodas be paid Serapa &c[a]: Joint Stock Merchants in further part of their Contract dated the 16th: August 1700.

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Here arriveing this morning Capt: Edwd: Harrison in the Gosfright, who came ashore and as hee informs us, hee belongs to y^{e}: seperate Stock and came lately from Emoy, Malacca & Acheen, and acquaints us of the misfortune of the Harwich being lost at Emoy, and that hee has brought Marreens and sailors Twen[ty] one of that ships Company, who offer to serve here till they have an opportunity to go for England, so considering the great want wee have of Europeans, and not knowing how soon wee may have occasion for them, wee have thought fitt to Entertain 'em.

Ship Gosfright of y^{e}: seperate Stock in England. Ship Harwich a man of war Lost at Emoy, twenty-one Marreens & sailors belonging to her, are entertain'd in y^{e}: Garrison.

Captain Harrison requesting leave to Land his cargo and dispose of it, consisting of Tootenague, Copper, Sugar, Sugar Candy, Allo[m], Gold &c^{a}: wee have for the following reasons granted his request:—

Permission for ship Gosfrights cargo to be unladen here. The reasons.

1st: For that if wee refuse to lett him Land it [here] hee can do it at S^{t}: Thoma, Policat, Metchle[patam] or any other port upon the Coast, paying an easier custom than at this place.

2dly: That if hee goes to Metchlepatam, 'twill [give] a great countenance to the new Company's affairs in that place.

3dly: That considering hee sells here none but [the] Commodities of the Country, and that wee permit him to carry away not any peice Goods that may be propper for Europe, and that hee returns hence to China, it can [in] no measure whatever be prejudicial to the Company, but a considerable advantage to 'em in their Customs and Coinage, besides a reputation to the Port; and to manifest that no sinister ends or Interest has induc'd the President and Councill to this resolution, wee declare that 'tis very much to the prejudice of our particular interest, in regard that wee have severall ships belonging to this port, which wee expect in a little time to return wth: these Commodities, besides quantities of some of these sorts at this time upon our hands, which will very considerably lessen their sale, Yet considering 'twill have the same effect if Landed anywhere on this Coast, by which the Company will not only loose so much custom but if it so happen that they should come to a better markett in any other port, it may occasion other ships for the future to Desert this.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

21. Dispatch'd Generall Letter to ffort S^{t}: David dated the 18th: Instant.

22ND Ship Rubie Zachariah Stilgo master arri[ved] from Bengall, by whom received Generall Letter from the President & Councill of Fort William dated the 17th: & 19th: December last &c^{a}: papers as ℔ List the Pacquett.

Ship King William John Braddyll Commander also arrived from Bengall, Vizagapatam & Metchlepatam, by whom rec^{d}: the following Pacquets Viz^{t}: Generall Letter from the President & Councill of Fort William dated 28th: November last &c^{a}: papers as ℔ List, the Invoice for stores &c^{a}: amounting to Rupees 18446: 15: 2: from [M^{r}:] Henry Waldo on board the King William in [Bengall] road dated 3^{d}: Dec^{r}: last, inclosing Bill Lading for the above stores:—from the Cheif & Councill of Vizagapatam dated 27th: ditto with Invoice [&] Bill Lading for 152 bales amo^{t}: to Pag^{s}: 8984: 9 ^{fa}: [. . .] from Maddapollam dated the 11th: Instant and from Metchlepatam dated the 15 d^{o}: with Invoice & Bill Lading for 129 bales Viz^{t}: 77 of Metchlepatam amo^{t}: Pag^{s}: [15848: 24:], 52 bales of Maddapollam amo^{t}: Pag^{s}: 9291: 15: 3.

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Wednesday 22nd

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Letters received, read.

General Letters from Bengall dated the [2nd :] November, and another dated the 17th : & 19th : Decr : last from Mr : Henry Waldo on board the King William in Balasore road dated the 3d : December last, from Vizagapatam dated the 27th : ditto, from Maddapollam dated 11th : Instant and from Metchlepatam dated 15th : ditto &c^{a} : papers received with the several pacquets all read.

From Bengall ℔ K. Willm : [unloaden]. [From] northern factorys [sent] for ashore.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the several stores &c^{a} : sent from Bengall ℔ ship King William, except the eleven hundred & fifty bags of salt-petre, which is to be continued in part of her Kentelage. The Warehousekeeper is likewise to send for ashore the following Vizagapatam, Metchlep^{m} : & Maddapollam Bales in order to have them cur'd, being mostly brown, the others for our Viewing.

Vizagapatam Goods Viz^{t} :

L C O N° : O 3	Long Cloth ord^{y} :	white	...	...	...	Bale	1
L C B N° : A	Ditto	brown	...	...	...	„	1
S A O N° : 4	Salampores ord^{y} :	white	...	...	...	„	1
S A B N° : A	Ditto	brown	...	...	...	„	1
S C O N° : O : 1	Sail Cloth	white	...	...	...	„	1
S C B N° : A	Ditto	brown	...	...	..	„	1
S B B strip'd	Betteelas	brown N° : A	...	...	„	7
			B	...	...	„	5
			C	...	...	„	10
			O B	...	...	„	1
			O C	...	...	„	1
			✠ D	...	...	„	5
P B B N° : A	Plain Betteela's	brown	...	...	...	„	1
						Bales	36

Metchelepatam Goods brown Viz^{t} :

S B	Salampores...	...	...	...	...	...	...	bale	1
P R	Percollas ...	...	..	...	...	...	...	„	1
I Z B	Izares ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	2
D M B	Dimityes ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	1
L F C B	Long Cloth fine ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	4
G S B	Gingham Sheets ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	1
									10

For our Viewing Viz^{t} :

S F N° : 2	Salampores ...	...	...	...	...	...	bale	1
L F N° : 1	Long Cloth fine ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	1
G B N° : 2	Gulcondah Betteela's	...	...	...	...	...	„	1
3	... ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	1
O B N° : 2	Oringall Betteela's...	..	...	...	...	...	„	1
C B N° : 1	Brampore Chints ...	...	...	...	...	...	„	1
							Bales	6

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Maddapolam Goods brown Vizt:

L F C B	Long Cloth fine	Noo: 1	Ba:	[2]
		2	,,	[1]
		3	,,	[2]
		3	,,	[1]
G S B	Gingham Sheets	,, 1	,,	[1]
	For our Viewing Vizt:			
L F C Noo: 2	Long Cloth fine.			
S A	2 Salampores.		,,	[...]
			,,	
			Ba:	1[...]

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper [. . .] thirty Six Tons Red-wood on the King Wm: being her Chart[erparty] proportion, and the remainder of her [Fright] of saltpetre. Ship K. Williams Redwood & salt-petre to be Laden.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMs: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Dorothy John Fountain master arrived from Vizagapatam, by whom received Generall Letter from the Cheif &ce: Councill dated 7th: Instant with Invoice and Bill Lading for 38 bales Calicoes [on] Accot: the Rt: H: Compa: amot: Pags: 2918: 15: 3. 23RD

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 23RD

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 7th: Instant received ℔ ship Dorothy, read, on who[m] being Thirty eight bales Calicoes of the Rt: H: Comps: all brown, the Warehouse-keeper is order'd forthwth: to unlade them, and that hee puts the Ten bales strip'd and two bales plain Betteela's to ye: washers to be whitned. Letter from Vizagapm: read: [38] bales of yt: plaes to bee unladen.

Order'd that Long Cloth and Salampores brown as they come in (being first sorted) be Embaled and well prest, and that no more of those sorts be put to the Washers dureing the King Williams stay, but that they wholly apply themselves to the cureing the fine Goods of this place and those received from the Northern ffactorys. [Ord] inary Cloth to be packd [soon]

The Store-keeper is order'd to Buy 25 Candy Brimstone, and that hee cause the same to be made into powder for Garrison stores. Brimstone for store to be bought.

THO: PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.

Received Generall Letter from the President &ce: Councill at Surat dated 22d: November last ℔ Cosseds, only for Covert of a Petition relateing to a Difference between some Armenians of this place. 24TH

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MONDAY 27TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Mint Accots: for Novr : & Decr : read.

The President read his Mint accts: for the month November & December last, particulars Vizt :

Novr:	To	Custom on	Gold coin'd	Pags:	2: 16:1
Decr:	To	Custom on	Gold	Pags:	49: 26:–
	To	Custom on	Silver	Rups:	932: 14:–

Paymrs accts for Decr : read.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster [read] his accounts for the month December last, particulars Vizt :

Charges Garrison	...	...	Pags:	1136: 1
Diet	...	...	,,	271: 17
Charges Merchandize	...	...	,,	100: —
Charges Generall	...	...	,,	356: 1
Charges Extraordinary	...	...	,,	89: 17
Fort St: David	...	...	,,	9: 9
Charges Cattle	...	...	,,	14: 17
Fortifications & Repairs	...	...	,,	61: 35
			Pags:	2038: 25

[*A few lines lost in the original*]

Pags : 1000 paid towards carrying on the black Town wall. Land Custom accots: for Dr : read.

Mr: John [Meverell Land] Customer read his accts: for the month December last, particulars Vizt:

Choultry Custom	...	...	Pags:	275: 1: 15
Rubie Brokers	...	...	,,	51: 19: 38
Cloth Brokers	...	...	,,	—: 16: 60
Town Rents for the months November & December	...	...	,,	27: 22: 59
Registring Slaves	...	...	,,	1: 12: —
			Pags:	356: —: 12

Pags : 350 paid into Cash on

and pays into the Rt : Honble: Comps : Cash Three hundred & fifty Pagodas on acct: Land Custom's.

Generall Letter from the President & Councill of Surat dated 22nd: November last, read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOMS : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

[28TH] [. . .] town Commander arriv'd [. . .]which received their Genl : [. . .] 6th: Inst: with copy of another [. . .] 17th : & 19th : December last on whom was Sr: Charles Eyre late President of Fort William being design'd home by her, who came ashore about 12 at noon, and was welcomed with the usuall ceremony of Guns.

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Att a Consultation Extraord^{y} : Tuesday [28th]

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

This morning arriveing the Fame from Bengall brought us their General Letter dated the 6th : Instant, wherein they request us to fill her up and Dispatch her for England, she wanting about 150 bales; but the Comander reports that about 100 would be sufficient, wee order'd the Gunner to go aboard and surveigh her [Hold] which the Captain desired might be deferr'd [. . .] in regard they had about 200 bales unstow'd in expectation of Pepper. Bengall Generall read. Advising ship Fame's wanting bales to fill up for England.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom^{s}: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Att a Consultation Thursday 30th

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour

Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thom^{s}: Marshall
John Meverell.

The Commander of Ship King William requesting in writeing (as enter'd after this Consultation) that with what already on board wee would make up Two thousand bags salt-petre, the Warehousekeeper is order'd to Lade the same being 570 bags, also what Bale Goods are ready as the Comander calls for them. Salt-petre 570 bags Laden on K. William more than other Kentilage.

Agreed that the Secretary gives orders to the Comanders of Ship Fame and King William to receive Diamonds on board, as they are bro^{t}: to him to be Register'd. The Secry: to give orders for receiving Diamonds on board Ship Fame & K: Wm:

This day the Gunner made his report that hee had been on board the Fame and surveigh'd her hold, and according to the best of his judgement, supposes she'l carry one hundred thirty bales more upon which 'tis order'd that the Warehousekeeper causes the following bales to be Travers'd from on board the King William, and that hee sends from the Warehouse Bales of Brown cloth sufficient to fill her up. Ship Fame to be fill'd with bales.

L C B N^{o}: A	Long Cloth brown	Bales	9
N^{o}: O A	... ...	,,	13
N^{o}: B	... ...	,,	3
N^{o}: O B	... ...	,,	5
N^{o}: T A	... ...	,,	2
N^{o}: T B	... ...	,,	2
			34

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S A B N° : A Salamp^{rs} : Browne	Bales	3
B	„	5
C	„	3
O A	„	1
O B	„	2
O C	„	3
		17
S C B N° : A Sail Cloth browne	Bales	1
B	„	4
C	„	1
O A	„	1
O B	„	2
		9

Persia Mare bought for the Nabob.

Senr : Manuch and Ramapa adviseing us that the Nabob hearing of a Persia Mare that was to be sold in our Town, order'd them to write us about it, hee being desireous to Buy it; but wee well knowing their manner of Buying, and what is meant by it, and not being will[ing] to Disgust him for a small matter, wee bought the Mare for Two hundred Pagodas, and 'tis order'd that the steward forthwith provide furniture, in order to her being sent our Agents at y^{e} : Camp tomorrow.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HON^{BLE} : THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R} :
GOVERNOUR &C^{A} : COUNCILL IN FORT S^{T} : GEORGE.

The Ship King William not being sailable with the Charterparty Kentilage, It's my request that Your Hon^{r} : &c^{a} : would make up what salt-petre I have already on board Two thousand bags.

Your Servant.
JOHN BRADDYLL.

Fort S^{t} : George 29th : Jan^{ry} : $170\frac{0}{1}$

31. Received Copy of Fort S^{t} : David Generall Letter, dated the 28th : Instant, with 2^{d} : Bill Lading of Parr Recovery for 160 Bales Calicoes ℘ Pattamar, the originals being on board said Parr.

FEBRUARY 2ND Ship Thankfull saild for Fort S^{t} : David, by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep^{y} : Govr : &c^{a} : Councill dated the 31st : past.

Parr Recovery Charles Hopkins Master arrived from Fort S^{t} : David, and brought their Genl : Letter of the 28th : past with Invoice & Bill Lading for 160 bales Calicoes.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1700-1——

ATT A CONSULTATION

MONDAY 3RD

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON. — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 28th: January last, read.

Letter from Fort S^{t}: David.

Parr Recovery arriveing last night from Fort S^{t}: David with one hundred sixty bales [on] acco^{t}: [the] R^{t}: Honble: Company, the Warehousekeeper is order'd to cause the same to be travers'd on board Ship King William, except the seven following, which are to be brought ashore for our Viewing Viz^{t}:

Fort S^{t}: David bales order'd to be travers'd on board King William.

L C F N° 1	... ...	Bale	1
2	... ...	„	1
L C M N° 1	... ...	„	1
2	... ...	„	1
L C O N° 2 X	... ...	„	1
S A O N° 10	... ...	„	1
L C B N^{o} D	.. ..	„	1
		Bales	7

Order'd that the Paymaster go aboard to muster Ship Fames men and report the same.

Ship Fame's men to be muster'd.

The Joint Stock Merchants importuneing us very much for money, It is order'd that Fifteen thousand Pagodas be paid them in further part of their Contract dated the 16th: August 1700.

Pags: 15000 order'd y^{e}: Jo: Stock Merchants

Generall Letter to the R^{t}: Honble: Company dated, 9mo: Instant to Paragraph 11, read and approv'd.

Letter to y^{e}: Comp^{a}: read.

Peter des Pommare &c^{a}: arrac farmers pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: cash Twelve hundred and Fifty Pagodas, and is in full for that ffarm for one year ending the 14th: December last.

Pags: 1250 paid into Cash acco^{t}: the arrao farm.

Order'd that one hundred Pagodas be paid Nicholas Audney, and seventy two Pagodas to M^{r}: Roger Braddyll being for two Bills of Exchange drawn by the Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David, both dated 27 past, also Twenty five Pag^{s}: be paid Wotta Lingua for three months Town Conicoplys Duty ending the ultimo January last.

Two Bills from Fort S^{t}: David order'd to be discharg'd & Pag^{s}: 25 paid Wotta Lingua

Last night Senr: Manuch and Ramapa returning from the camp, this day they appear'd before us in Councill to give an acco^{t}: of their negotiation which is as follows.

Senr: Maunch and Ramapa being return'd from the camp, they give an acco^{t}: of their negotiation there.

That when they came to the Camp they waited on the Nabob, hee having sent Ten horses and fifty foot to conduct 'em, who received 'em kindly, and order'd 'em to send for their Present, which hee accepted of, but the next day return'd it again, except some Tryfles, hee giving broad hints that, that was not a sufficient Present for him, and that his predecessor had ten times as much, hee also enveying against us in scuralous Language, reaping up the Business of Fort S^{t}: Davids, how wee had kild Celiam Cawns brother and threatning revenge upon it. But two days after, our Agents having by their applycation to some of the principal officers in some measure passafied the Nabob, Duan and Buxie, hee sent again for his Present but still told 'em it was not near enough for him, hee having been at Court, where it had cost him a great deal of money

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for his Employ which hee must and would raise by some means or other, telling us that hee had an acco^{t}: of our Revenues, calculateing 'em at above one hundred thousand Pagodas ℔ annum. That wee had nothing to do with the Black Town, in which hee would put a Govern^{r}: and constrain us to keep only to our Fort, and that hee also daily encouraged unjust complaints against us, telling 'em that he would first go to Tanjore, Tevenapatam and then come to S^{t}: Thoma, when hee would ruin this Port and sett up that, after all which hee dismissed our Agents without any Perwanna or Tashereiff to the Governour as usuall, and write only a Letter referring to what they sho^{d}: tell us and the Duan the same, both which are entered after this Consultation. The Duan also signing an insignificant Perwanna.

Our people meeting with the Mare wee sent the Nabob in the way, brought her back with them, who also inform us, that they were told by severall at the Camp, that this Dislike of the Nabob to us, is occasion'd through informations of some people of our own town, who not only make the court by it, but also participated a part of what can be extorted from us, who when discover'd, wee resolve shall pay not only for the present mischeif, but what has past in former times.

No further present to be made the Nabob & why.

So having well Debated & consider'd of what wee have been now inform'd as to the Demands & expectations of the Nabob, 'Tis unanimously resolved that no further Present be made to him unless it be so Triviall a sum as not worth our Disputeing, otherwise wee shall intale an excessive charge upon the Company for ever, for if a new Nabob should be sent every month they would expect the same. 'Tis further agreed that our Garrison be put and kept in the best posture of Defence it's capable of, resolveing to stand the Event. and advise Fort S^{t}: David to do y^{e}: same.

Small present made to Omar Cawn & why.

Omar Cawn late Govern^{r}: Coverapawke having been very assisting to our Merchants where they make cloth, and being a considerable man and suddainly design'd for the King's Court, where hee may be helpfull to us, and designing this evening to make the Govern^{r}: a Vissit, it is agreed the following Present be made him Viz^{t}:

Crimson	5 Y^{ds}.
A small Looking Glass	
Sword blade	1
Hubble-bubbles	2

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

FROM DOUD CAWN TO THE GOV^{R}: OF CHINNAPATAM.

I wish the Governour all health.

Received 2^{d}: Febry: 170$\frac{0}{1}$

I received the friendly Letter you sent me by Doctor Manuch and your Vaqueel, and observe the contents thereof, and have likewise heard their request, and have given them my answer thereto which they will acquaint you with. Pray write me often of your health.

FROM DUAN MAHOMUD SYDE TO THE GOV^{R}: OF CHINNAPATAM.

Rec^{d}. 2^{d}: February 170$\frac{0}{1}$

I received your kind Letter by Doctor Manuch and Ramapa your Vaqueel and observe what you mention therein, and according to your desire have sign'd the Perwanna only some articles omitted, which Doctor Manuch and Ramapa will acquaint you with, & likewise inform you what is fitt to be done in this matter.

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Ship Gosfright Edward Harrison Comander saild for Policherry, by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David of yesterdays date to be forwarded from thence. 4.

Ship Fame fired a Gun and put abroad her Colours to give notice that she was full. 5.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 6TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The remaining part of the Generall Letter to the R^{t}: Honble: Company dated 9mo: Instant, read, approved & sign'd. Genl: to the Compa: all read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Three thous^{d}: Pag^{s}: on acco^{t}: Silver and Goods sold. Pags: 3000 paid into Cash by the Warehouse-keeper.

Order'd that Emanuel de Rosairo and Emanuel de Goma be Entertain'd souldiers in this Garrison, and John Coerse be Discharg'd from the Gunroom. Soldiers entertain'd

The Brown Goods sent from Metchlep^{m}: being come from the Washers, the Warehousekeeper &c^{a}: are order'd to sort them by the Metchlepatam Musters and report the same. Metchle-patam Goods to be sorted by Musters in this place.

The Paymaster reports Ship Fames Company to be Eighty one men & Boys. Ship Fames men 81.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS: ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Delivered the Comander of Ship Fame his Dispatch for England with the Box of Letters and Pacquett to the Company. 7.

This morning S^{r}: Charles Eyre & the Comand^{r}: went on board the Fame and about 5 a clock in the evening she saild for England. 8.

Ship Sta: Cruse Ignatius Marcoss Pilot arrived from Macow in China.

Ship Rubie Zacharia Stilgo Master saild for Batavia, by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of York Fort supposeing she'l touch there in her return hither.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 7th: Instant. 9.

Dispatch'd Genl. Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 10TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}.
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The President read his acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: cash for the month January last, Ballance being Pag^{s}: 11224: 31: 4. Acct: Cash for Jan^{y}: read.

[10TH]

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The Presidts: Letters to Court complaining of ye: Nabob, read.

The Presidents Letters to Assed Cawn grand Vizier and Zulphaker Cawn, and to their secrys: Tullsedas and Wottumchund, representing the ill treatment of our agents sent to Doud Cawn and his unreasonable Demands upon this place, read and approved, and agreed to be sent them.

Letter from Metchlepm: Metchlepm: Bill to be paid.

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 23d: January last, read.

Ordered that Pags: 471: 3: 3 be paid the Pre[sident] being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif &cs: Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 20th: January last.

Letter from Fort St: David, read.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated ye: 7th: Instant, read.

Fort St: David bill to be paid.

Ordered that Pags: 431: 4: 0 be paid Mr: Roger Braddyll, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Depy: Govr: &cs: Councill of Fort St: David dated the 7th: Instant.

Pags: 1600 paid for defraying charges Garrison.

Order'd that one thousand Pags: be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

Soldiers & Gunners entertain'd & discharg'.

Order'd that Christian Mathison, Jeronamo Tesmar and John West be entertain'd in the Gunroom, and Edward Donkester a souldier in the Garrison and that Richard Hacklet be Discharg'd therefrom upon his request.

Topaz soldier allow'd Pay dureing his Voyage from Bencoolen hither, & why.

Antony de Rosairo Portuguez souldier who came over from Bencoolen ℔ Ship Thankfull, Petitioning us for Pay dureing his passage hither, It is agreed for his and others encouragement, that the same be allowed, in consideration he has serv'd the Honble: Company about twelve years there and had the Depy: Governrs: &cns: leave for his return.

Storekeepers accot: for 4 mths: ending Dec: last, read.

Mr: Francis Bett provt: storekeeper (by Mr: Wigmore) read his accots: for the months of September, October, November & December last.

Tho: Pitt.
ffranc'is Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thomas: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Received ℔ Boat Generall Letter from the Chief &cs: Councill of Maddapollam dated 29th: Janry: last, incloseing the Tandells receipt for 7 Timbers sent ℔ said Boat.

Late this night arrived Ship Gosfright Edward Harrison Comander from Policherry.

14. Ship Chandra Shacrum Tandell arrived from Vautarah.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 4th: Instant &cs: papers as ℔ List.

In the night Ketch St: Anthony Peter Eyes Mastr: saild for Metchlepatam, by whom sent Genl: Letter to the Chief &cs: Councill of yesterdays date, incloseing Bill Lading and Invoice for Factors Provisions Laden on her amounting to Pags: 63: [21]

SATURDAY 15TH.

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Thomas Wright — Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall — John Meverell.

Mint accot: for January read.

The President read his Mint accots: for the month January last, particulars Vizt:

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To Custom on Gold coin'd in ye: Mint Pa. 116: 35.

Generall Letters from Maddapollam dated 29th: past, and from Metchlepatam datd: 4th: Inst: with copy of Mr: John Pitts Comission recd: [. . .] Tankerville &ca: frivolous papers read. Letters &ca: papers recd: & sent read.

Letter to the Rt: Honble: Company of yes[terday] to Parag: 11, read and approved.

Order'd that Three hundred Pagodas be advanc'd to Paulo &ca: Washers for cureing the Rt: H: C: Cloth. To ye: Washers paid 300 pags: Pags: 16,000 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys cash sixteen thousand Pags: on acct: silver and Goods sold.

Order'd that Peter Peterson & Simon Corneli[ous] be Entertain'd in the Gunroom. Persons entertain'd in ye: Gunroom.

The 12th: Instant the Comander of Ship King William requesting the money allow'd by Charterparty, the same was accordingly paid him being Pags: 928: 8: 72: the amot: of Fifteen hundred Ryalls of eight. Ship King Wms: Charterparty money paid ye: Comr: Betteelas of 40 & 50 coveds wanting in goodness taken in upon abatement.

The Warehousekeeper reports that the 40 & 50 Coved Betteelas don't answer the numbers Contracted for, It is therefore orderd that they be sorted to lower numbers and taken, in abateing proportionably as from No. 1 to No. 2.

The following Goods being taken out of Bales orderd ashore from ships Neptune and Benjamin for our Inspecting the Goodness & prizes of the Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam & Fort St: David Goods, It is agreed that the same be now Embaled & sent to England ℔ Ship King William Viz:

Dimities	No. 5.	3 ps:	Receiv'd: ℔ Ship Neptune from Metchlepatam.
Gulcondah Betteelas	8.	3.	
Collowapoos	1.	3.	
Alajars	1.	3.	
Romalls	21.	3.	
Soocraguntee	1.	3.	
Salampores fine	2.	3.	
Romalls	...	3 ps:	Recd: ℔ Ship Benjamin from Metchlepatam.
Chints	...	3.	
Alajars	...	3.	
Gulcondah Betteela's	...	3.	
Callowapoos	...	3.	
Diaper	...	3.	
Izaree	...	3.	
Long Cloth fine	...	3.	
Sal Pecada's	...	3.	
Sawderancherry	...	3.	
Betteelas Oringall	...	3.	
Gingham Sheets	...	3.	
Salampores fine	...	3.	
Chints	...	3.	
Long Cloth fine	...	3.	
Sal Pecadoes	...	3.	
Long Cloth fine	...	3.	
Betteela's	No. 1.	9 ps:	recd: ℔ do. from Vizagapatam.
Betteela's	8.		Rec: ℔ do: from Ft: St: David.
Neckcloths	2.		

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M. Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

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16. Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 14th: Instant.

17. Ship Prince Charles Fredrick Bloome Comander arrived from Canton in China.

Ship Thankfull Joseph Lein Master arrived from Fort S^{t}: David, by whom received Bill Lading for 308 bales of the Companys on board her, with copy of their Diary and Consultations for the precedeing year.

The following order was sign'd by the Govern^{r}: and Councill.

Fort S^{t}: David bales travers'd on board K. Wm: for England.

Ship Thankfull being this morning arrived from Fort S^{t}: David with 308 bales of the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: of that place, the Warehousekeeper is order'd to ca[rry] the same to be Travers'd on board the King William except the following, which are to be sent ashore for our Viewing.

F D		
L C F N°. 2	Bale	1
S V C 2	„	1
O R B + 2	„	1
B E F 25	„	1
L X O B 2	„	1
S A O B 9+	„	1
M E		
L C O B D	„	1
	Bales	7

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

WEDNESDAY 19TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Ba]les being wanted for K. Wm: twenty-five [bales] of midling Lo: Cloth[to] be ship'd on board.

The Comander reporting that the K. William will want about 100 Bales more than wee have ready made up, excepting twenty bales of midling Long Cloth N^{o}: 3 brought in exceeding what Contra[cted] for, It is therefore agreed (rather than the ship go home dead freighted) that the said 25 bales be shipped on board, and the merchants to be allow'd as for the rest of that sort.

Bengall Canvass 100 bolts to be Laden for England.

Order'd that one hundred Bolts of Bengall Canvass be Laden on board the King William for England.

The Ball: of James Eustace estate paid into cash.

M^{r}: Matthew Empson late Paymaster pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s}: 119: 26: 2[...] being the Ballance of M^{r}: James Eustace de [ceased] his Estate as ℔ acco^{t}: now produc'd.

Gulcondah Betteelas from Metchlepatam pris'd here.

Whereas the Chief and Councill of Metchlep^{m}: have sent up nine Bales Gulcondah Betteelas white Viz^{t}: five Bales N^{o}: 2 and four Bales N^{o}: [3] to be Prized here, in which being very much to seek, however wee charge N^{o}: 2 at Pag^{s}: [55 &] N°. 3 at 50 Pag^{s}: ℔ Corge, but what abatem^{t}: upon

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those prizes to be brought to the Company's credit.

And there were severall other Goods sent Brown, which are wash'd here and priz'd by guess as ℔ Invoice. Other Goods from Metchlepm; also priz'd here.

The Paymaster is order'd to muster ship King Williams men and report the same. Ship K. Wms: men to be muster'd.

Mr: Thomas Lovell having severall times made application to the Govr: and Councill to m[ake] a Voyage to China, offering to give security of Three thousand Pags: to return by the same ship hee proceeds on, in order to answer what shall be charg'd upon him dureing his management at Metchlepatam. The Bond being now deliver'd us, It is agreed, that hee proceeds his Voyage. Mr; Lovell has leave to proceed a voyage upon his giving Bond to return.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 14th: Instant, read. Letter from St; David, read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN: MEVERELL.

Received from Fort St: David their Pacquet [to] the Rt: Honble: Company. 20.

Ship Pearl Samuel Heaton Comander and Mr: Thomas Lovell Supra cargo said for China. 21.

Ship King William fired a Gun and spread abroad her Colours to give notice that she's full. 22.

ATT A CONSULTATION — SATURDAY
Present — Do:

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Answer to the Auditor Generalls Letter of this date (which is order'd to be sign'd by the accomptant) and further part of Genl: Letter to the Rt: Honble: Company dated the 14th: & 21st: In[st] from Parag: 11 to 18 read and approved. The accompts; Letter to the Auditor & further part of Genll; Letter, to ye: Rt; H; C: read.

Order'd that Pags: 3: 28: 4 be paid Mr: William Bull, being for half salary at £15: ℔ annum from the 29th Septemher to the 21st: Decembr: last the time of his laying down the Comps: service. Mr; Bulls salary to the time of his laying down the service order'd to be paid.

The paymaster reports ship King William's Company of men to be one hundred & sixteen. Ship K. Wms; company 116.

Agreed that the Councill meet on Monday noon, in order to Dispatch the King William. [Councill to] meet on monday to Dispatch the King William.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.
THOMS: MARSHALL.

Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 11th: January last, adviseing their having received of their Contract about 2000 Pags: since last Goods sent us ℔ the Dorothy. 24TH

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MONDAY [24TH] ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ten barrells of powder to be delivd; ye: Comr: of K. Wm: for so much spared at Vizagapm: Letter to ye: Compa; read & sign'd. A souldier entertain'd.

The Storekeeper is order'd to deliver Ten Barrells of English powder to Capt: John Braddley being so much spared the Chief & Council of Vizagapatam for the use of the Honble: Company as advis'd by their Letter dated the 4th: Septembr:

The remaining part of the Generall Letter to the Rt: Henble: Company dated the 14th: & 21st: Inst: read, approved & sign'd.

Order'd that Emanuel Segus be allow'd Pay as Souldier from the 1st: Instant, hee having done Duty from that time, but omitted bei[ng] Enter'd before.

Letter from Vizagapm: read.

Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 11th: January last, read.

Mr: Braddylls Debt paid into cash.

Mr: Roger Braddyll pays into the Rt: Honble: Comp: cash Pags: 1: 5: being the Ballance of his acco: in the Generall Books.

[Fowke] entertain'd in ye: Gunroom.

Order'd that Randolph Fowke be Entertained [in] the Gunroom.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JO: MEVERELL.

24TH. [26]. Deliver'd the Comander of Ship King William his Dispatch for England.

Last night the Comander of Ship King William &c: went on board, and this morning very early the said ship sailed for England.

27. Per Pattamars received Generall Letter from Sr: John Gayer on board Ship Tavistock at Swalley Bars foot dated the 4th: December last, also Generall Letter from the Presidt: & Councill of Surat dated 3rd: ditto &ca: papers mentioned in both Pacquets.

MARCH 1. By Armenian Cosseds received Genl: Letter from the President & Councill of Surat, dated the 31st: December last &ca: papers inclosed.

2. Ship Meerah Madud Neenah Pilla Tandell arrived from Bengall.

Ship Codumbah Abdula Cawn Noquedah arrivd: from Vizagapatam.

MONDAY 3. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Acco: Cash for February [& accot:] Fees for Passes.

The President read his accot: of the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash for the month February last, the Ballance being Pags: 13264: 18 and Charles Bugden Secretary read his accot: Fees for Passes for ditto month amot: to Four Pags: and pays into the Rt: H: C: cash Pags: 2: 24 their part.

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The President pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash one hundred & four Pags: being for Permission of Passage of the following persons for England. Permission money for Passengers paid into Cash.

M : Roger Braddyll	Pags:	26
Mr: William Bull	,,	26
Dorothy Phrip	,,	26
Richard Phrip	,,	26
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John Leonard & Edward Pocock were Entertain'd in the Gunroom, and Henry Warren[as]souldier on the 26th: past, Ralph Freeman on 27th: ditto and Peter Labut the 1st: Instant both [as] souldiers, which are now confirm'd. Persons entertain'd in the Garrison.

Mr: Charles Fleetwood late Depy: Governr: of York Fort, delivers his answer to such articles which lye undecided in the charge exhibited against him at the West Coast, which is referred to further consideration. Mr: Cha: Fleetwoods memom: on the charge agt: him.

Generall Letters from Surat dated the 3d: [&] 31st: December and from Generall Sr: Jno: Gayer on board the Tavistock at Swally Bars foot dated the 4th: do: &ca: papers in both Pacquet all read. Letters received, read.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison: Pags: 1000 ordr'd ye: Paymr:

Order'd that Francisco de Rosairo be entertain'd a Souldier and John Palmeek be Dis[charg'd] from the Gunroom. Persons entd: & discharg'd the Garrison.

The President produces a Letter from the Depy: Governr: of Fort St: David, adviseing that hee heard Seliam Cawn was approaching that place with a body of horse, wherein hee desires orders for leave to cutt down Gardens near the Fort, as also to send 'em some mortar shells. Resolved that an answer thereto be immediately wrote them and that all necessary supplys be sent by the Madrass Pinnace, as Ten Candys of Brimstone and Plank for carriages. Advice from Fort St: David [abt:] Moors approaching 'em [with] horse. Necessary orders and supplys & stores sent 'em.

Order'd that Three hundred fifty one Pags: be paid Vizt: Pags: 120 to the owners of Par Recovery being for freight of 160 Bales, and Pags: 231 to the owners of ship Thankfull, being for 308 bales from Fort St: David, at ¾ pags: ℔ Bale. Freight for Bales from Fort St: David order'd to be paid.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

This evening Dispatch'd Genl: Letter to Fort St: David of this date. 3
Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David datd: 4th: Instant. 6
Ship Prince Charles Fredrick Bloome Comander belonging to the Danes saild for Tringombar.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 6TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 4th: Instant, read.

Ordered that Two thousand five hundred Pagodas be paid to Botchu Chittee and Two thousand five hundred Pags: to Colenda Chittee, be [ing] for two Bills of Exchange drawn by the Depy: Govr: &ca: Councill of Fort St: David, both dated the 4th: Instant. Letter from St: David, read. Two Bills from Ft: St: David order'd to be paid

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Letter to Ft: St: David, read.

Generall Letter to Fort St: David of this date read and approv'd.

The Merchts: Loosers on 808 bales provided by them. The warehousekeeper to examine their complaint & report ye: same.

The Joint Stock Merchants delivers in an accot: of Pags: 4964: 7 Loss upon 808 Bales Calico[es] Laden on board the King William, which acc[ots] being now deliver'd the Warehousekeeper, hee is order'd to make his report thereof.

Price of Rupees limited.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to sell Rups: as much under as hee can but not exceeding 345 for one hundred Pagodas.

Warehouse accot: for mo: Decembr: read.

Mr: Thomas Wright warehousekeeper read his accots: for the month December last.

The accompt: to report ye: examination, as to Mr: Sowdon's demand of Cash over paid by him at York Fort.

Whereas Mr: James Sowdon makes his demand of Rylls: 253: 1: 1 for so much over paid by him upon his delivery of the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash at York Fort to Mr: Charles Fleetwood.

The accomptant is order'd to Examine the Generall Books of that place and Mr: Sowdons accot: Cash dureing his time, and report the same.

[Mr:] Peachies credit to be paid him.

Order'd that one hundred nineteen Pags: & four Cash be paid Mr: Jeremiah Peachie, being for Rupees 416: 9: 10 brought to his credit in the Bengall Books, and transfer'd from thence into our Books here.

Gunner discharg'd

Order'd that Richard Barker be Discharg'd from the Gunroom at his request.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

8. The Madrass Pinnace John Lein Master saild for Fort St: David.

Dispatch'd overland Generall Letter to Fort St: David dated the 6th: Instant, incloseing Inv[oices] & Bill Lading for Sundry Stores Laden on Madrass Pinnace for that place.

TUESDAY 11. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMS: MARSHALL
The Councill being duly summon'd
Mr: ELLIS. Indispos'd.

Paymasters accots: f r mo: Janry: read.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acct: Disbursements for the month Janry: last, particulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1072:	24.
Charges Cattle	„	14:	7.
Charges Diet	„	267:	33.
Charges Merchandize	„	66:	—

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Charges Generall ... ... ,,	383 :	31.
Acco^{t} : Presents ... ... ,,	234 :	15.
Charges Extraordinary ... ... ,,	50 :	6.
Fortifications & repairs ... ... ,,	18 :	29.
Pag^{s} :	2048 :	1.

Soldiers entetarin'd.

Order'd that Lawrance Qualo & Jno : Gonsolvo Portuguez be Entertain'd souldiers in this Garrison.

The Cowle for the arrac farm granted to Peter des Pommare revoked & why.

There being a Petition deliver'd in to the President and Councill by some people who were to be concern'd in the Arrac ffarm [granted to] Peter des Pommare, setting forth a notorious injustice done them by him, for that they agreed with him to come in half concern in the ffarm, for which hee gave 'em a writeing under his hand, but after wee had granted him the Cowle, Gruapah, Ancanah &c^{a} : went to him to concert matters about the ffarms he bid 'em bring his obligation, upon view of which he tore it, and told 'em they had nothing to do with it, upon Examination of which action, wee found it to be true and Peter des Pommare confes'd the same, and likewise it appears to us, that the aforesaid Peter des Pommare has been very active in contriveing ways and means to lessen the yearly income of this ffarm, in so much, that whilst wee were treating with persons about it, and endeavouring to raise it, he gott people that were inclinable to take it under writeings not to bid above his own terms, so to discountenance such practices, so notorious prejudiciall to the Companys Revenues, besides for his infamous action for tareing the obligation he gave 'em, wee revoke our Cowle of the 15th : December last, and make him for ever uncapable of ffarming any of the Company's Revenues, and as a farther marke of our Displeasure, wee fine him Twenty Pag^{s} : to be paid the Honble : Company, and Twenty Pag^{s} : to the poor of our Church, and forthwith to deliver up all utencills and ingredients for Distilling of arrac unto Gruapah, Ancanah &c^{a} : they paying for the same, who are to continue the ffarm dureing the time prescrib'd in the form^{r} : Cowle granted unto Peter des Pommare.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THO^{s} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

13TH.

Ship Saram Thomas Plumbe Comander arriv'd from Quedda & Acheen.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t} : David, dated the 11th : Instant &c^{a} : papers inclosed.

THURSDAY D^{o} :

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters to the subordinate ffactorys, read.

Generall Letters to Metchlepatam, Madapoll^{m} : and Vizagapatam all of yesterdays date, read & approved.

Pag^{s} : 1000 order'd ye : Paym^{r} : & Pag^{s} : 1000 for carrying on the new works.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r} : Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison, and one thousand Pagodas [be] advanc'd for carrying on the Black Town wall and new works.

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Land Custom accots: for mo: January read, &

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer read his accts: for the month January last, ꝑticulars Vizt:

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	Pa:	70: 5: 70
Rubie Brokers	...	..	...	..	...	,, 11: 1: 70
Town Rents	...	.	...	...	...	,, 16: 17: 83
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	,,	-: 16: -
					Pag :	98: 5: 13

Pags: 91 paid into Cash on that accot: Letter from Ft: St. David, read.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash ninety one Pags: on that account.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David, dated 11th: Instant &cs: papers, read.

Ten candy of Gunpowder to be sent to Vizagapatam.

The storekeeper is order'd to get ready Ten Candy Gunpowder to send by the first good Vesssell bound to Vizagapatam, the Chiefe and Councill having wrote for a supply.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

14 Ship Pombrupa Simon Rodrigues Comander arrived from Macow in China.

Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam, dated the 25th: & 26th: ffebruary with their accot: Cash for the month January last, and by the same Pattamars received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam, dated the 5th: Instant.

15 By a Country Boat Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Metchlepatam, dated the 12th: Instant, inclosing a paper to Mr: John Pitt the new Comps: Presidt: there, dated the 20th: past, and our Generall to the Chief & Councill at Madapollam, dated the 12th: Instant, also sent another Generall Letter to Metchlepatam of yesterdays date.

17 Ship St: Anthony Manuel Gonsalvas Comr: arrived from Macow in China.

18 Ship Danceborough Stephen Meyer Comander arrived from Quedda.

THURSDAY 20.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
MESSRS: ELLIS & MEVERELL. Indispos'd.

Pags: 2957: 2 paid into Cash for fanams coin'd. The Warehousekeepers paper by way of answer to the Jo: stook Merchts: complaint of their Loss on 808 bale.

The President Mintmaster pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Pags: 2957: 2 being for silver ffanams coin'd in the Mint.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper delivers in a paper as follows Vizt:

In persuance to an order of Consultation, dated the 6th: Instant, the Warehousekeeper reports that he has examin'd the accot: deliver'd in by Serapa &cs: Joint Stock Merchants of what lost on the 808 Bales Laden on ship King William, and finds their accot: to be cast up pretty right, but compareing the Invoices of what Long Cloth midling, Long Cloth ordinary and Salampores ordinary (by which they are the greatest loosers, the rest being inconsiderable) were Laden on

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the Neptune, Benjamine, Howland and King William, I find the Long Cloth midling to come out Viz^{t}:

Ship Neptune	at Pag^{s}	41 : 33	℔ Corge.
Benjamine	„	40 : 17	
Howland	„	89 : 2	
King William	„	37 : 22	

Long Cloth ordinary Viz^{t}:

Ship Neptune	at Pag^{s}	29 : 6	℔ Corge.
Benjamine	„	29 : 13	
Howland	„	28 : 35	
King William	„	27 : 12	

Salampores Midling or Ordinary Viz^{t}:

Ship Neptune	at Pag^{s}	10 : 3	℔ Corge.
Benjamine	„	11 : 12	
Howland	at Pag^{s}	13 : 11	
King William	„	15 : 3	

and I presume the reason why the Long Cloth midling and Long Cloth ordinary ℔ Ship King William did not come up to the Prizes of the premention'd ships is, that it was not so good as the Cloth ℔ those ships, there being few or none, N^{o}: 5 ℔ships Neptune and Benjamin, and a very small quantity of short and narrow Cloth, of which there is considerable quantity of both ℔ the King William, and had the Merchants complain'd before the Goods were Laden on board, I presume they might have had the satisfaction of yor: Hon^{rs}: &c^{as}: peruseall of them, to see if the sorters had done them any wrong, for they were daily in the Godown when the Goods were sorted, and knew what numbers they were sorted to.

Warehouse accot: for m^{o}: January read, and 14,000 Pag^{s}: paid into Cash for Goods &ca: sold & Pag^{s}: 496: 20 for Torn & turn'd out Cloth belonging to the Merchants.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his acco^{ts}: for the month January last and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Fourteen thousand Pagodas on acco^{t}: Rupees and Goods sold, and Four hundred ninety six Pagodas and 20 fanams, being for Torn and turn'd out Cloth sold at Outcry of the old Contract, for w^{ch}: the Joint Stock Merchants are order'd to have credit.

Stewards accots: for Janry: & Febry: read.

M^{r}: Henry Davenport read his Stewards acco^{ts}: for the months of January & February last, which are passed.

A soldier entertain'd.

Orderd that Joseph de Lamoose Portuguez be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison.

Sea Custom accots: for mos: Novr: & December read, &

M^{r}: Matthew Empson read his sea Custom acco^{ts}: for the months November & December last particulars Viz^{t}:

Nov^{r}: To Custom Nil	Pa: 303 : —:—	
To Freight of ship Howland from Vizagapatam and Merchlepatam	„ 61 : 22 : 50	

and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash One thousand Pagodas on that account.

Pags: 1000 paid into Cash on that accot:

M^{r}: Thomas Harris Petitioning us to be Discharg'd the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: service, his Intended time being long since elaps'd, the same is readily granted, and his salary order'd to be paid him from the 29th: September last to this day, being Pag^{s}: 16: 4.

Thomas Harris discharged the Comps: service at his request.

Generall Letters from Vizagapatam dated the 25th: & 26th: February last, read.

Letters from Vizagapm: read.

[20TH]

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The apprehension of tronbles from ye : Nabob. Rashboots to be entertain'd & Peons dischasrg'd.

Wee not only having the news from our own people at the Camp, but it being the Generall report of the whole Country that Doud Cawn intends to come to S^t^ : Thoma, who wee are confident has ill designs against us, and to prevent his effecting the same, it requires our utmost endeavours, therefore wee order that the Paymaster entertains what Rashboots offer their service (they being people most to be rely'd upon in time of troubles) and that he returns out as many Peons in the room of them.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^s^ : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

22. Ship Mahomud, Mahomadoo Noquedah arrived from Quedda.

25. Ship Noss Senhorah de Rosairo Edward Bell Pilot sailed for Bengall, by whom sent General Letter to the President & Councill of Fort William dated the 8th : Instant.

27. By a Country Boat (which saild this day) Eram chittee Tandell, sent Generall Letter to y^e^ : Cheif and Councill at Vizagapatam of y^e^ : 12th : & 26th : Ins^t^ : incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for Gunpowder &c^a^ : Laden on said Boat.

THURSDAY 27TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^s^ : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^R^ : ELLIS. Indispos'd.

Gnnner entertain'd.

Order'd that Claus Simerson be Entert^d^ : in the Gunroom.

The Rentall Genll : & scavengers accots : read & money paid into cash on both accots :

M^r^ : Francis Bett Rentall Generall & Scavenger read his accounts, and pays into y^e^ : R^t^ : Honble : Comp^s^ : Cash Viz^t^ : Pag^s^ : 385 : 28 on the former acco^t^ : ending the last August 1699, and Pag^s^ : 272 : 4 on the latter ending the la[st] September 1700, being the Ballance of both those Acco^ts^ : to that time.

Pag^s^ : 500 paid into Cash on acco^t^ : Tobacco sold.

M^r^ : Richard Hunt Tobacco Manager pays into the R^t^ : Honble : Comp^s^ : Cash Five hundred Pag^s^ : on Acco^t^ : Tobacco sold.

Storekeepers Accots : for Janry : Febry : read.

M^r^ : Francis Bett Prov^l^ : Storekeeper read his accot^ts^ : for the months January & February last.

David Davis Debt to Francis Bett paid him.

Order'd that Pag^s^ : 5 : 21 be paid M^r^ : Francis Bett, being so much indebted to him by David Davis deceas'd, who hath Credit in our books.

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The Warehousekeeper was Order'd to deliver the storekeeper Forty Candy salt-petre to make Powder in January last, but omitted to be enter'd till now, and he is now order'd to deliver Forty Candy more for the same use. Salt-petre formerly deliver'd for making powder but omitted being enter'd.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Salt-petre order'd for makeing powder.

Sta: Mareiah Andrew Holland master arrived from Pegu. 31.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of yesterdays date. APRIL 2.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 3.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM^{s}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash, Three thousand five hundred Pag^{s}: on Acco^{t}: Rupees & Goods sold. Pags: 3500 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper for Goods &c^{a}: sold.

The accountant is order'd to draw out the Acco^{t}: salary due to the R^{t}: H: Comp^{s}: servants for the last half year ending the 25th: March last. Last half years salary to be drawn out.

M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his acco^{ts}: for the month February last, particulars Viz^{t}: Paymasters Febry: mo^{ths}; acco^{ts}: read.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s}:	1049:	23
Charges Cattle	„	15:	14
Charges Diet	„	673:	19
Charges Generall	„	363:	31
Acco: Presents	„	58:	13
Metchlepatam	„	3:	28
Fort S^{t}. David	„	2:	12
Charges Extraordinary	„	14:	23
Charges Merchandize	„	1:	14
West Coast	„	6:	34
Fortification and Repairs	„	16:	6
	Pag^{s}:	2206:	1

Order'd that one thousand Pag^{s}: be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Pag^{s}: 1,000 order'd ye: Paymr: for defraying expences.

M^{r}: John Meverell Land Customer read acco^{ts}: for the month February last particulars Viz^{t}: Land Custom acco^{ts}: for Febr: mo: read, &

Choultry Custom	Pa^{s}:	109:	16:	25
Rubie Brokers	„	3:	31:	58
Registring slaves	„	—	24:	—
Confiscations	„	36:	29:	10
	Pag^{s}:	150:	29:	13

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Pags : 144 paid into Cash on that accot : Richard Blackwall decd : Credit order'd to be paid.

and pays into the Rt : Honble : Comps : Cash one hundred forty four Pags : on that account.

Doctor Richard Blackwall Deceas'd, his Estate having Credit in York Fort Books Ryalls 97 : 2 which at 17 Dollars ℘ Ten Pags : is Pags : 57 : 12 : 4, but money paid his wife here by the Paymaster after his death &ca : amot : to Pags : 44 : 15 being first deducted, the remaining Pags : 12 : 33 : 4 is order'd to be paid his Trustees, they demanding it.

Accot : remains for ye : year past to be brought in. Portuguez souldrs. entertd :

Order'd that the severall officers bring in an accot : Remains of their respective Employs for the year past, ending the month.

Order'd that Thome de Rosairo, Joan Deas, and Anthony Deius Portuguez be Entertain'd souldiers in this Garrison.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS : ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
JOHN : MEVERELL.

4. The Madrass Pinnace John Lein Mastr : arrived from Fort St : David, and brought Generall Letter from the Depy : Govr : dated the 2d : Inst : incloseing Bill Lading for 58 Bales.

FRIDAY 4. The following order was sign'd by the Govr : & Councill.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade Fifty eight bales brought from Fort St : David by the Madrass Pinnace, who arrived here this morning.

THOMAS : PITT.
THO : WRIGHT.
MATT : EMPSON.
THO : MARSHALL.
JOHN : MEVERELL.

Ship Jerusalem William Rogers Master arrived from Pegu.

5. Received ℘ Pattamar Generall Letter from Fort St : David dated the 3d : Instant, with 2d : Bill Lading and Invoice for 58 bales ℘ the Madrass Pinnace.

SATURDAY do.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDY :

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENNT & GOVERNR :
THOMAS WRIGHT MTTHEW EMPSON
THOMS : MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL
MR : ELLIS. Indispos'd.

[A] Portuguez entertaind a soldier. Letters received, read.

Ordered that Mathews Perira Portuguez be Entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison.

Generall Letter from the Depy : Governr : of Fort St : David dated the 2d : Instant, and from Govr : and Councill dated 3d : Ditto, both read.

The Joint Stock Merchts : complaint of Loss on their Long Cloth ordinary remedied.

Serapa &ca : Joint stock Merchants having since the departure of the King William perus'd their accots : and finding that their ordinary Long Cloth gone home on that ship, is sorted down to a considerable less value than has been upon any former ships, whereof they have often complain'd to us, into which having made enquiry and finding it to be so as ℘ the accot : enter'd after this Consultation, the chief occasion of it, not being only that their Cloth comes out to Lower Numbers, but the alteration that has lately been made between No : and No : being considerably more than formerly, insomuch, that they declare they can't proceed

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further in their Contract, being great loosers thereby, of which in some measure wee being sencible, cotton being at this present very dear, and great Investments made by the ffrench and Dutch near us, and the new Company to the Northward, and to prevent so great an evill of sending ships home dead freighted, Wee have thought fitting for encouragement of the Merchants, to order for the future, that the abatements between N°: & [N°:] be as formerly, before the makeing of these two last Contracts.

So to make an early provision for the Comp^{s}: ships, and to keep possession of the Loomes, It is agreed that Twenty five thousand Pagodas be paid them in further part of their Contract dated the 16th: August 1700. Money order'd the Joint stock Merch^{ts}: for carrying on their Contract.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS: ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Acco^{t}: of the prizes of Long Cloth ordinary Fort S^{t}: George, as received from the Merchants, wth: charges Washing &c^{a}: 1698.

Ship	Corge. p^{s}:			fa: ca.
Fame ...	285: —	amo^{ts}: to Pag^{s}:	7467: 12: 5 is Pag^{s}:	26: 7: 1 ℙ Corge.
Thorndon ...	168: —	„	4929: 30: — „	29: 12: 2
Martha ...	756: —	„	22763: 26: 5 „	30: 4: —
W^{t}: Coast Abednego.	39: —	„	1039: 6: 3 „	26: 23: 1
Scepter ...	172: 10	amo^{ts}: to Pag^{s}:	5081: 33: —[ut] Pag^{s}:	29: 16: 3 ℙ Corge.
Neptune ...	414: —	„	12162: 18: 2 „	29: 13: 4
Benjamin ...	514: 10:	„	15117: 25: 2 „	29: 13: 4
W^{t}: Coast Tryall.	45: —	„	1327: 18: — „	29: 18: —
Howland ...	254: 2:	„	7368: 23: 3 „	29: —: —
Fame	42: 10:	„	1172: 24: 4 „	27: 21: 2
King William ...	638: 15:	„	17474: 2: 2 „	27: 12: 2
Corge	3329: 7	Pag^{s}:	95905: 5: 2	

Ordinary Long Cloth from Fort S^{t}: David.

Fame ...	88: 10	amo^{ts}: to Pag^{s}:	2517: 30: — is Pag^{s}:	28: 16: 1 ℙ Corge.
Martha ...	90: 10	„	2809: 9: 1 „	32: 5: 1
Scepter ...	310: 10	„	9934: 8: — „	32 —: —
Neptune				
Benjamin				
Howland ...	117: —	„	3655: 18: — „	31: 8: 4
King William ...	421: 10	„	13369: 34: 3 „	31: 26: —
Corge	1028: —	Pag^{s}:	32386: 27: 4	

The Madras Long Cloth as above, comes out one with another at Pag^{s}: 28: fa 29: ℙ Corge.

The Fort S^{t}: David ditto 31: 18: 1. Difference Pag^{s}: 2: fa 25: ca 1 ℙ Corge is ℙ C^{t}: $9\frac{1}{3}$

Ship Dolphin Lockyer Watts Comander arrived from Pegu.

Ship Bone Viago Ignatio Swarez Pilot arr^{d}: from Pegu.

The Advice frigat William Redhead Comand^{r}: arrived from England. 8.

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TUESDAY [8TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVEERN^{R} :
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R} : ELLIS. Indispos'd.

Advice frigat from Engld :

The Advice frigat arriveing this day from England, the Comander brought ashore the R^{t} : Honble : Companys Pacquet, which being opened was found to contain as ℔ List enter'd next after this Consultation.

The Treasure &c^{a} : ℔ Advice [ordered] to be unladen.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the Treasure &c^{a} : on board the Advice frigat.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LIST OF THE COMP^{S} : PACQUET TO FORT S^{T} : GEORGE BY THE ADVICE FRIGAT.

N°.

1. Companys Generall to Fort S^{t} : George dat : 18th : June 1700.
2. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Gen^{lls} : to y^{e} : Fort dat : 20th : & 25th : Jan^{ry} : 1699.
3. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Gen^{ll} : to y^{e} : Fort dat : 23^{d} : February 1699.
4. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Gen^{ll} : to the Fort dat : 6th : March 1699.
5. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Gen^{ll} : to the Fort dat : 12 April 1700.
6. Invoice of the Advice frigat.
7. Bill Lading ditto ship.
8. Copy of the Charterparty of the said ship.
9. Act of Parliament for continuing the Company [as] a corporation, four.
10. Exemplification of the said act under the Great Seal of England, which seal is in a silver Box.
11. The Kings commission to President Pitt &c^{a} : to try Pyrats dat : 28 May 1700 under the Great Seal of Engl^{d} :
12. The Kings Instructions to Presid^{t} : Pitt &c^{a} : for Trying Pyrats dat : 30th : May 1700 in y^{e} : 12th : year of his reign.

Three in a red Leather Box.

13. Act of Parliament for suppression of Pyrats, four.
14. Act of Parliament prohibiting the wearing East India & China wrought silks, four.
15. Act of Parliament for laying a further Duty of 15 ℔ Cent upon wrought silks, muslins and other Goods, four.
16. Companys particular Letter dated 26th : June 1700 [to] the Honble : Thomas Pitt Esqr : or the President of Fort S^{t} : George for the time being, which contained also Capt : Heath &c^{a} : Letter to S^{r} : [Stephen] Evance about the Neptunes Goods.
17. Tryall of Twenty one Pyrats in print. One.
18. The Warehousekeepers acco^{t} : of Goods wanting ℔ Martha & Neptune.

This evening received Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the 30th : March last and from M^{r} : John Foquett dated 29th : ditto &c^{a} : papers inclosed.

Received Generall Letter from the Dep^{y} : Govr : of Fort S^{t} : David dated 5th : Instant with translates of news from their spy [Braminys] abroad.

In the night ship Gosfright Edwd : Harrison Comander saild for Emoy in China.

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Ship Madapollam Maul Cawn Pilot arrived from Pegu. 10.
Ketch Bone Voyage, Meerah Noquedah arrived from Araccan.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY [10TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
THOMAS: WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMS: MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL
MR: ELLIS. Indispos'd.

The President read his accot: of the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash for the month March last, Ballance being Pags: 24938: 19: 2. The Comps: Cash for March mo: read.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his accot: for the month February last. Warehouse accot: for Febry: mo: read.

Gruah Raz pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash one hundred Pags: being collected for Building the Black Town Wall & new [. . .] Pags 100 paid into Cash on accot: the black town wall.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver Two hundred Dollars to the Attornys of M[ary] Ann Wright, being for One Bill of Exchange dated 28th: June 1700 drawn by the Rt: Honble: Company, payable to said Ann Wright. Bill Exchange from ye: Compa: for [*Sic*]

Generall Letter from the Cheif & Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 30th: March and from the Cheif only dated the 29th: ditto [&ca:] papers: Also from the Depy: Governour of Fort St: David dated the 5th: Instant, also read. Letters received, read.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to supply Manuel Gonsolvas with wh[at] silver he wants at 15½ Dollars ℔ Ten Pags: and sell the remainder received ℔ the Advice frigat at that rate. Silver to be dispos'd at 15½ Dolls. ℔ Ten Pags.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letters from Fort St: David dated the 10th: Instant, and from the Depy: Govr: dated the 11th: ditto. 13.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 17.

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMS: MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL
MR: ELLIS. Indispos'd.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honbls: Comps: cash Twenty three thousand Pagodas on accot: silver & goods sold. Pags 23000 paid into cash for silver &ca: sold.

Generall Letters to Surat & Bombay dat: 15th: Inst: and to the Rt: H: Compy: of yesterdays date all read & approved. Letters sent, read.

The President read his mint accots: for the months of February & March last, particulars vizt: Mint accots: for Febry: & March read.

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Feb^{ry}: To Custom on Gold. Pag^{s}: 228 : 2 : 20.
March. To Custom on ditto ,, 759 : 33 : 20.
and pays into the R^{t}: H : Comp^{s}: cash Pag^{s}: 1167 : 33 : 40 on acco^{t}: Custom of Gold coin'd, and Pag^{s}: 20 : 29 : for Copper cash.

Letters received, read Acco^{t}: Salary for ½ year to ye: Comp^{s}: servants order'd to be paid them.

General Letters from Fort S^{t}: David dated 10th: Instant, and from the Dep^{y}: Governour dated the 11th: ditto both read.

The accomptant delivers in an acco^{t}: of the last half years salary due to the R^{t}: H : Companys servants in this place ending 25th: March last, amo^{tg}: to Pag^{s}: 992 : 1 : 5 which is order'd to be paid.

Portuguez entd : a soldier.

Order'd that Thomas Simmons Portuguez be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison.

Stewards accot^{s}: for March month, read.

Henry Davenport his Stewards acco^{ts}: for the month March last, was read & past.

Pag^{s}: 3000 paid into cash [on] acco^{t}: Sea Customs.

M^{r}: Matthew Empson Sea Customer pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Three thousand Pagodas on acco^{t}: Sea Customs.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{s} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

19. The Govern^{r} : and Councill mett to peruse Generall Letter to Fort S^{t} : David, and to the Dep^{y}: Govern^{r}: both of this date, which were approv'd and Dispatch'd this Evening.

21. Dispatch'd Generall Letters to the Presid^{t}: & Councill of Surat, and to the Generall & Councill at Bombay of the 15th: Instant, incloseing Generall Letter to the R^{t} : H : Comp^{y} : of the 16th : ditto &c^{a} : papers as ℔ List.

23. The Josiah Ketch Timothy Evans master arrived from Bengall and brought Gen^{ll} : Letter from the President Beard & Councill of Fort William dated 3^{d} : March last &c^{a} : papers as ℔ List.

By Peons overland received Gen^{ll} : Letter from the Cheif and Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 12th : Instant, with the Gen^{ll} : Letter from Maddapollam dated the 8th : ditto.

24. Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t} : David dated the 22^{d} : Instant.

THURSDAY [24TH] ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT AND GOVERN^{R} :
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOM^{s} : MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters rec^{d} : read.

Generall Letters from Bengall dated the 3^{d} : March last receiv'd ℔ Josiah Ketch, from Metchlepatam dated the 12th : Instant ; from Madapollam dated the 8th ; ditto, and from Fort S^{t} : David dated the 22^{d} : ditto &c^{a} : papers in the severall pacquets, all read.

Pag^{s} : 2500 paid into Cash on acco^{t}: silver &c^{a} : sold.

M^{r} : Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{s} : cash Two thousand five hundred Pag^{s} : on acco^{t} : silver & Goods sold.

Sea Custom accoo^{ts} : for Jan^{ry} : & Feb^{y} : read.

M^{r} : Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his acco^{ts} : for the month January and February last, particulars Viz^{t}:

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Janry:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported this mo:	Pags:	830:	7:	30.
To Custom on Grain	„	548:	29:	7.
To Anchorage	„	28:	—:	—
To Accot: freight of K.Wm:	„	35:	5:	—
	Pags:	1442:	6:	[37]

Febry:

To Custom on Goods Impd & Exported this mo:	Pags:	363:	15:	[...]
To Custom on Grain	„	155:	16:	30.
To Anchorage	„	53:	—:	—
To Tonnage	„	22:	8:	—
	Pags:	594:	4:	[...]

Mr: Francis Bett Provll: Storekeeper read his accots: for the month March last. Storekeepers accot: for March read.

Orderd that the following stores bee provided by the Storekeeper and sent to Fort St: David by the first good Vessell or ship bound thither, being wrote for by the Depy: Govr: &cn: [Vizt:] Stores for Fort St: David to be provided.

59 Carriage Plank 5 & 6 inches
10 Ditto of 7 & 8 „ } thick.
1 Coil rope of 2 inches & one do: 2½ inches.
20 Timbers from 18 to 22 foot long
40 Plank from ¾ inch to 3 inches thick.
10 Barrells fine powder.
100 Hand spikes.

The particulars.

Orderd that sixty eight Pags: be paid the President out of Cash, being for Loss & Charges Mintage on Thirteen thousand, three hundred & fifty Pags: of Tevenapatam, coin'd into Madrass Pagodas here, as ℔ Consultation dated 23d: Novr: 1700. Pags: 68 Loss on Tevenapm: Pags: coin'd into Madrass Pags: to be paid for out of Cash.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unlade the stores sent ℔ Josiah Ketch from Bengall. Stores from Bengall ℔ Josiah Ketch to be unladen

Order'd that Two hundred Pags: be paid Charles Bugden, being for one Bill Exch[ange] drawn by the Depy: Govr: & Councill of Fort St: David dated the 22d: Instant, and one thousand Pags: be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Fort St: Davids bill of Exchange for 200 pags: order'd to be paid & Pags: 1000 to the Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Order'd that Nicholas Knogar Portugu[ez] be entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison. Portuguez entd: a soldier.

Order'd that Three hundred Pags: bee advanc'd to Paulo &cs: Washers for cureing the Rs: Honble: Comps: cloth, and that Two hundred Pags: of Paddy be deliver'd them by the Warehousekeeper. Advanc'd to the Comps: Washers Pags: 500 in money & Paddy.

The Governour acquainting the Council that this morning hee received advice from Mr: Fraser at Fort St: David that the Dutch had been at Conimeer [and] Viewing, Surveying and measureing a ffactory there that was formerly ours, and that Dond Cawns Mauldars were wth: 'em, so 'tis rationall to beleive that the Dutch have a design to purchase it of the Nabob; To prevent which (for that it Advice that the Dutch are treating with the Governmt: about the Comps: ffactory at Conimeer.

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would not only be a great inconveniency to our affairs at Fort S^{t}: Davids, but likewise a great discredit to see a Dutch flag hoisted upon English settlement) 'tis resolved that the Governour writes a Letter to Govr: Comans (who is still at Sadrasspatam) to acquaint him with what he hears, and if possible to prevent his makeing any further [progress?] therein.

The Kings Comission for Trying of Pirats, to be publish'd.

The R^{t}: Honble: Company having sent his Majesties Comission for Trying of [Pirats] 'Tis resolved that the same be Publish'd at [the] Town Hall, on the 26th: Instant at nine [in] the morning, and that the Governour gives notice by Beat of Drum to all the Inhabitants at the Publishing the same to prevent their pretending any ignorance thereof hereafter.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS: ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

24. Dispatch'd the President's Letter to Govr: Comans at Sadraspatam of this date, shewing the Honble: Comp^{a}: right to the ffactory of Conimeer, and desireing the Dutch to forbear treating with the Government for the purchase of it.

26. This day being appointed for the Publishing the Kings Commission for Trying of Pyrats, the same was accordingly done, together with his Instructions and the act of Parliament, most of the European Inhabitants, Principal Portuguez and Armenians being present.

28. Received a Letter from Govr: Direck Comans at Sadraspatam.

MONDAY [28TH] ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORD^{Y}:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
THOMAS MARSHALL THOMAS WRIGHT

The Councill being duly summond Messrs: Ellis & Empson indispos'd & M^{r}: Meverell absent.

Letters sent & received read.

Generall Letters from & to Govr: Comans about the Dutch their settleing at Conimeer, Mocdum Nimas Letter to the President and his answer relateing to a small Present to be made Doud Cawn, also Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Councill, Fort S^{t}: David, all read.

The Comp^{s}: Ketch Josiah to be sold at publick outcry.

Resolved that the Paymaster on [Monday] next being the 5th: May, put up to sale at Publick outcry the Josiah Ketch with her stores, and that a note be affixt at the Sea Gate to give notice thereof.

Money paid into Cash upon sundry acco^{ts}:

Serapa pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Pag^{s}: 221: 3: 3 being [the] Ballance [of] his propper acco^{t}: for Goods bought out of the Companys Warehouse [acco^{t}:] and Vincate Kisna &c^{a}: late Tobacco far[mers pays] Two hundred Pagodas on that account [and] Ponnagettee Narso &c^{a}: Tobacco & [arrac] farmers pays Two thousand Pagodas [on] that acco^{t}: for three months ending the 17th: March last.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1701——

Sloop Rawratoon Laulman Pilot arrived from Acheen. 28.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of yesterdays date with the severall papers therein mentioned. 29.

Messrs: Cranwell & Berlu arrived this evening Overland from Fort S^{t}: David, in persuance of our Generall Letter of the 19th: Instant, which order'd 'em up.

Ship Resolution Andrew Ferera Pilot arrived from Policherry, on whom came M^{r}: Richard Farmer Passenger, going thither overland from Fort S^{t}: David. MAY ℔ M^{o}:

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY [1ST]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS WRIGHT
JOHN MEVERELL — THOMAS MARSHALL
M^{R}: ELLIS. Indispos'd.

Alexander Cambell soldier who had the President and Councills of Bengall leave for repairing hither ℔ the Josiah Ketch for his health Petitioning 2 months Pay dureing y^{e}: Passage, It is agreed that the Paymaster pay him but for one month, and hee also to reimburse the Corporation Pag^{s}: 19: 14: 48 being charges for Pavement of Bricks made before the Companys Colledge and Godown. [A soldier] from Bengall to bee paid one mos: pay. Paymaster to reimburse Corporation Pags: 19:14: 48 & why.

M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his acco^{ts}: for the month March last particulars Viz^{t}: Paymasters accots: for March month, read.

Charges Garrison	...Pag^{s}.	1072: 16:
Charges Cattle	„	17: 35:
Charges Diet	„	200: 23:
Charges Extraordinary	„	12: 11.
Charges Generall	„	360: 16:
Acco^{t}: Present	„	—: 18:
Fortification & Repairs	„	14: 34:
	Pag^{s}:	1679: 9:

The Paymaster is order'd to Buy a Chest Rose water to be sent to Fort S^{t}: David; and [the] Warehousekeeper to Buy five & half corge red shalloes, being offer'd to sale and was for the use of this Garrison & Fort S^{t}: David for flags. A Chest rose water to be bought and 5½ Corge of red shalloes.

Order'd that George Thompson be Entertain'd in the Gunroom, & Andrew Fereira a soldier at Twenty five fanams ℔ mensem. A Gunner & soldier entertain'd.

The Warehouskeeper is order'd to sell silver at the rate of 16 Dollars for Ten Pagodas, the Macow ship w^{ch}: occasion'd the rise of silver being said away. Silver to be sold at 16 Doll. for Ten Pagodas.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.

Dispatch'd ℔ Country Boat Generall Letter to Metchlepatam of yesterdays date. 2.

Received Generall Letter from the Cheife & Councill of Metchlepatam dated 23^{d}: April last &c^{a}: papers inclosed. 4.

Ship S^{t}: Antonio Eman^{l}: Gonsalvas sailed for Macow. 6.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1701——

THURSDAY 8

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R} :
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^{S} : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.
M^{R} : ELLIS. Indispos'd.

Comp^{s} : cash for April m^{o} : [read]. Comp^{s} : Ketch Josiah not [selling] at outcry, to be return'd for Bengall.

The President read his acco^{t} : of the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{s} : cash for the month April last, the Ballance being Pag^{s} : 32226 : 26 : 8.

The Paymaster reports that the Josiah Ketch was put to sale at Publick Outcry in persuance of Consultation dated the 28th : past, but none offering more than Five hundred Pagodas, 'twas thought fitting not to sell her, but that she be return'd to Bengall, and Dispatch'd hence by the 15th : Instant, in her way to call at Metchlepatam and Vizagapatam to deliver such Treasure &c^{a} : wee shall order for those places.

Money orderd P Josiah Ketch [for the] northern factorys.

Order'd that Twelve thousand Pagodas be deliver'd the Warehousekeeper & sent to Metchlep^{m} : upon the Josiah Ketch [for] the service of that and Maddapollam [factorys,] to Pay off their arrears and to carry on [Invest]ments for the ensuing year, also that [. . .] thousand Pag^{s} : be deliver'd to be sent by [the same] Ketch for Vizagapatam to carry on [that] Investment there.

Portuguez entd : a soldier Pag^{s} : 2000 paid into Cash for silver & Goods sold.

Order'd that Domingo de Mount [Portuguez] be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison.

M^{r} : Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{s} : cash Two thousand Pag^{s} : on acco^{t} : silver and Goods sold.

Pag^{s} : 1000 orderd for defraying charges Garrison & Pag^{s} : 25 for 3 m^{os} : Town Conicoplys Duty, Persia fruit to be bought for Fort St : David. Sea Custom accot^{s} : for March month, read and

Order'd that One thousand Pag^{s} : be [paid] M^{r} : Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison, and Twenty five Pag^{s} : be paid Wotta Lingua for 3 months Town Conicoplys Duty ending the ul[timo] April last.

The Paymaster is order'd to provide Persia fruit Viz^{t} : Kismiss, Raisons and almonds two maunds of each, being wanted at Fort S^{t} : David for Presents.

M^{r} : Matthew Empson read his Sea [custom] acco^{ts} : for the month March last, ℔ticulars Vig^{r} :

To Custom on Goods imported & Exported	Pag^{s} :	2960 : 31 : 5
To Custom on Grain	,,	149 : 2 : 25
To Anchorage	,,	30 : 18 : —
	Pag^{s} :	3140 : 15 : 30

Pag^{s} : 1000 paid into Cash on that acco^{t} :

and pays into the R^{t} : H : Comp^{s} : cash one thousand Pag^{s} : on that account.

[Land] Custom acco^{t} : March m^{o} : read &

M^{r} : John Meverell Land Customer read his acco^{ts} : for the month of March last, particulars Viz^{t} :

Choultry Custom	Pag^{s} :	169 : 30 : 60
Rubie Brokers	,,	14 : 35 : 60
Cloth Brokers	,,	10 : — : —
Town rents	,,	55 : 3 : 26
Registring slaves	,,	— : 32 : —
	Pag^{s} :	250 : 29 : 66

Pag^{s} : 188 : 32 : 54 paid into Cash [on that] acco^{t} :

and pays into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{s} : cash Pag^{s} : 188 : 32 : 54 on that account.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1701*—— [8TH]

The Secretary is order'd to deliver Padre Fryer Michael Anjous, the paper translated in Portuguez (as Enter'd next after this Consultation) and he to be present at the reading of the same in their Church on Sunday next. [Refering] to a paper to be [read by] the Portaguez Padre [in their] Church.

Letter from Govr : Comans at Sadraspm: and Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 23d : past &cs : papers therewith recd : all read.

This being a fitt oppertunity for disposeing of the Joint Stock Merchants turn'd out and damaged Cloth, the same is order'd by the Warehousekeeper to be sold at publick Outcry, and the produce paid into the Rt : Honble : Comps : cash. Letters received, read. Turn'd out & damag'd Cloth:[be lon] ging to ye : Joint stock Merchts. to be sold & Produce to be paid into Comps : cash.

The Storekeeper is order'd to provide Necessarys for the Josiah Ketch as ℔ List deliver'd us by the Master. Stores for ye : Josiah [Ketch] to be supply'd her.

By our last Letters from the West Coast they advise us 'tis much for the Company's advantage to send Rupees and ffanams, latter with the Mallay stamp, wherefore 'tis resolved that the Warehousekeeper de[liver] to the Mintmaster what silver re[mained] in the Godown, in order to coin Two [. . .] Rupees, and the rest to be made into fanams to be sent to the West Coast by the first oppertunity. Rupees & fanams to be coin'd for the Wt : Coast.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Whereas Wee the Governr : and Councill of this place have been credibly inform'd that on or about the 12th : March last, the Right Reverend ffather Don Gosper Alfonso Bis[hop] of St : Thoma (as he stiles himself,) did [send] a paper to the Padrees of Madrass belonging to the Church, for the exerciseing the the Ro[man] Catholick Religion, commanding and requiring them to Publish the same, the purport of which paper being to require & command the delivery up of sundry papers to the Provisor and Vicar Generall of St : Thoma, which papers wholly relate to a cause depending in our Court of Admiralty, and upon their non complyance with the same, they were to undergo the greatest Excommunication. This paper being translated into Portuguez, was deliverd & read by the Padre in their Church.

Locus Sigili.

In order to publish these our highest resentments against the Right Reverend Don Gasper Alfonso's proceedings and the Reverend Padre ffryer Michael Anjous complyance with the same, Wee hereby declare that no Bishop whatsoever of the Roman Catholick Religion, have any power or Jurisdiction over the Clergy or Laymen of that persuation, resideing under this our Government.

And to prevent the like irregularitys for the future, Wee strictly command and enjoin You Padre ffryer Michaell Anjous or whoever shall succeed you as Cheif Padre in this Church, not to Publish, read or ℔mit to be read any paper directed to you from any Bishop or Ecclesiasticall function whatever, without first acquainting the Governr: of this place, and obtaining his leave for the same, as you'l answer the contrary at your perill, And wee further require you to Publish this our order in yor : Church in a full congregation on Sunday next. Given under

[8TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1701*——

our hands and the Seal of the Rt: Honble: Company, Dated at Fort St: [George] in the City of Madrass this Eighth [day of] of May 1701.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMr: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

CHAs: BUGDEN SECRY:

10. Ketch . . . . James Linsey Master arrived from Anjengo and Fort St: David.

12. Ship Sommers Capt: Douglass Commander belonging to the new Comps: arrived in this road from Surat and sent some particular Letters ashore, wch: confirm'd to us what had been rumour'd some days before, of St: John Gayer and his Ladies being surpriz'd at Swally by the Moors and carried Prisoners to Surat, but the President having no Letters, nor heard thence since January last, and being desireous to have a full relation of all matters in those parts, with the advice of the Councill, he sent off and invited the Captain ashore, who accordingly came & gave us a full relation of all transactions in those parts, wch: was confirm'd to us five days after by a Pacquet wee recd: from Surat.

13. Ship Fortune Charles Perrin Master arrivd: from Calicut.

14. Brigantine Commence George Weoley Master arrived from Goa.

Ship Endeavour Elias Bates Master arrived from Persia.

FRIDAY 16 ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNr:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATT: EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL.

[To pay] Mr: Lewis's demand on David Davis deceas'd.

Mr: George Lewis delivering an accot: of Thirty four Pagodas David Davis decd: is indebted to him, the same is order'd to be paid, or so much as the said Davis hath Credit in our Books.

Letters to sundry places, read.

Generall Letters to Metchlepatam, Maddapollam, Vizagapatam and Bengall all of yesterdays date, read & approved.

Redwood to be sent to Bengall [℔] the Josiah Ketch.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to Lade on board the Josiah Ketch for Bengall Redwood accor: the Rt: H: Comps: not exceeding one hundred Candy, the President & Councill thence having wrote for some in their late Letters.

Gunner entertain'd.

Order'd that Joan Papmeau be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

[Stores &ca:] necessarys to be [provided] for the West Coast [Inspec]tion of 75 bales Calicoes [on] the Comps: information [of] [sev] erall ps: wanting in [bales] lately sent them.

There being a ship suddainly bound for the West Coast, and the Depy: Govr: & Councill of York Fort having wrote for severall stores & Necessarys as℔ an accot: sent over, and wee being sencible their want thereof, It is order'd that the same be provided as ℔ List now drawn out & agreed upon.

The Honble: Comps: in their Letter dated the 18th: & 25: June last by the Advice frigat, having wrote us and sent the particulars of peices wanting in Bales Laden hence and other places on the Martha & Neptune, which was a great surprize to Us, and at that time having seventy five bales made up in the Godown, the Govr: and Councill order'd that they shod: be open'd & inspected, who all came out right according to the Notes and the contents on the outside of the Bales, as appears by the report of the Warehousekeeper & sorters Enter'd after this consultation.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS: ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN: MEVERELL.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1701*—— [16TH]

Fort S^{t}: George 6th: & 7th: May 1701.

Wee the subscribers mett at the Godown and did open and tell all the Bales there [in] which were packed up here before y^{e}: arrival of the Advice frigat being seventy five [&] wee did find every bale to come out right according to the Number of Peices mentioned in the Notes or put upon the outside of [the] Bales.

THO: WRIGHT WAREHOUSEKEEPER.
JOHN MEVERELL.
MATT: MEAD.
GULSTON ADDISON.

Received ℔ Pattamar a Pacquet from Surat containing their Generall Letter dated the 29th: March last with the severall papers as ℔ List, also a Generall from the HON^{ble}: Company dated 21st: August 1701. 17.

Ship Quedumbah Sakah Hussen Noqueda saild for Ganjam. 18.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date. 19.

Ship Gennala Abdeen, Coja Jaffer Noqueda arrived from Quedda. 20.

ATT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 21ST

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN: MEVERELL.

Generall Letter from the Honble: Company dated 21st: August 1700 received Via Surat, from S^{r}: John Gayer &c^{a}: Councill at Surat dated the 29th: March last &c^{a}: papers therewith received, and from M^{r}: John Haynes at Fort S^{t}: David dated the ℔^{mo}: Instant, all read. [Genl: letter] receiv'd, read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Two thousand Pagodas on acco^{t}: silver and Goods sold. [Pags:] 2000 paid into Cash on [accot:] Silver & Goods sold.

Sobyah Choultry Conicoply being lately dead, the Land Customer proposes Jeawah to supply his place, whom wee approve of, hee giving him security. Choultry Conicoplys place.

Order'd that Joan Gago Peisotee be Entertain'd Portuguez Writer at the Choultry, that employ being Vacant by the death of John Deceise. Portuguez writer at the Choultry entertain'd.

Order'd that a chest of Rose Water [and] a peice fine scarlet Cloth be bought for Fort S^{t}: David and forthwith sent overland with the Persia fruit lately bought [at] that place. [Presents for Fort S^{t}: David bought.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ketch Josiah Timothy Evans saild [for] Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam [and] Bengall, by whom sent Gen^{ll}: Letter to each place dated the 15th: Instant, incloseing sundry papers as ℔ Lists of the respective Pacquets. 23.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 10th: Instant, with copys of a [paper] from M^{r}: John Pitt the new Comp^{s}: Pre[sident] to M^{r}: Stephen Frewen at Madapollam and the latters answer to ditto.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 24th: Instant, with the severall papers inclosed. 26.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1701*——

MONDAY 26TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Mint acco[ts]: for April m[o]: 223 : 26 : [sic] 6 paid Cash on that acco[t]:

The President read his Mint accounts for the month April ast, particulars Viz[t]:

To Custom on Gold coin'd Pag[s]: 223: 28: 6: which sum he pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: cash, being the Ballance of that account.

[Pag[s]:] 1000 paid for Garrison [oharge] & 1000 pag[s]: for the [Black Town wall. Acco[t]: for March. [Papers] receiv[d], read. [Former] Managers acco[t]: [read &] Pag[s]: 241: 9: 37 paid [the Comp[s]] cash on that acc[t]: [Gunners] entertain'd in y[e]: room.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison, and one thousand Pag[s]: advanc'd to him for carrying on the Black Town wall and new works.

M[r]: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his acco[ts]: for the month March last.

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the 10th: Instant and from Fort S[t]: David dated the 24th: ditto &c[a]: papers, all read.

M[r]: Richard Hunt late Tobacco Manager read his acco[ts]: and pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys cash Pag[s]: 241 : 9 : 37 the Ballance of that account.

Order'd that William Price, W[m]: Harrison, Paul Springa, Titus Owen & Jam[s]: Dara [. . .] be Entertain'd in the Gunroom and that Simon Cornelius be discharg'd [there] from.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[S]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

27. Received ℔ Pattamar Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 16th: Instant accompanying Gen[ll]: Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 10th: ditto, with what pa[pers in] each Pacquet.

TUESDAY 0[o]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN[R]:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOM[S]: WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM[S]: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters receiv[d], read. Perpetuanoes cannot sell at 6 pag[s]: ℔ peice. [To sell'em] for the most [he] can.

Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 10th: Instant, and from Metchlepatam dated the 16 ditto, both read.

There being many Perpetuanoes the Warehousekeeper reports hee cannot sell at the sett price of six Pagodas ℔ Peice, It is consider'd that by lying in the Godown, they spoil, and if more are brought out, these will remain unsold, wherefore 'tis order'd that the Warehousekeeper sell them off for the most he can.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1701*—— [27TH]

The Storekeeper is order'd to pay the Owners of the Madrass Pinnace seventeen Pagodas, being for Freight of Ten candys of Brimstone and sundry Planks sent to Fort S^{t}: David, and the Warehousekeeper to pay Pag^{s}: 43: 18 for Freight of 58 bales from thence by said Vessell.

[Freight] of Goods to & from Fort S^{t}: David to be paid.

Whereas Ensign William Read on Sunday last comeing drunk into Church and challenging his fellow officers, It is therefore resolved for such offences, that one months Pay be stop'd by the Paymaster, and he be severely reprimanded by us.

Ensign Read for misdemeanrs: forfeit one mos: pay.

The Gunroom crew at this time increaseing beyond the usuall Number, and persons daily offering their service, It is resolved that whereas their pay being one hundred fanams ℔ mensem, it be now reduced to ninety one fanams, in consideration that they are entertain'd for noe limitted time, but have liberty of Voyages or otherwise when they please.

Gunroom pay reduc'd [by 9] fans: ℔ mensem & why.

Order'd that Cornelius Brown & Peter Coas [. . .] be Entertain'd in the Gunroom, & Caleb Cla [. . .] a soldier in this Garrison.

Gunners & a soldier entertain'd.

Wee being inform'd that Doud Cawn comeing to Chellumbrum, near Fort S^{t}: David against which place wee have just re[ason] to beleive he has ill Designs, It is pro[posed] by the President that hee himself goes [there] on the Advice frigat, with two of the Councill of this place and the Secretary, and carry with them Thirty men of this Garrison with Stores & Necessarys for Presents as [entred] next after this Consultation, which accordingly are order'd to be provided.

Apprehention of troubles from the Moors at S^{t}: David. The President moves his going thither wth: some of this Counsill & to carry 30 men with stores &c^{a}:

The President proposeing not only by this Expedition to give assistance to y^{e}: place in case Doud Cawn should attempt any thing but likewise to Examine into differences that has lately happen'd there between the Comp^{a}: servants in order to decide & compose the same. As also to inspect their Investments, where [by] the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: have so much complain[ing] against these two last years, concerning [w^{ch}:] wee are very sencible of their just cause of complaint, and have wrote them severall Letters relating thereto, but to little or no purpose.

The reasons why the Presid^{t}: [Sh^{d}:] go to Fort S^{t}: David.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LIST OF STORES AND NECESSARYS TO BEE PROVIDED FOR FORT S^{T}: DAVID VIZ^{T}:

Broad Cloth red ...	... 6 P^{s}:
Ditto Green	... 6 P^{s}:
Ditto Yellow	... 6 p^{s}:
Aurora	... 2 p^{s}:
Fire Arms Viz^{t}: ...	... 2 pair Pistolls & 2 Carbines.
Rose Water	... 2 Chests.
Syrash	... 8 d^{o}:
Almonds, Raisons & Kismis	... 2 M^{ds}: each
Persia Vinegar	... 1 Chest & Atchar.
Looking Glass small of all sizes.	1 doz.
Spectacles, Knives & Sizers	... one doz. of each
Flint Ware all sorts ...	... 50 l^{bs}:
Arrac Bengall	... 2 hh^{ds}:
Ditto Goa	... 2 hh^{ds}:
Sugar White	... 2 bags.
Wax Cloth	... 50 peices.
Gunnys	... 1000 p^{s}:
Rope and Twine... ...	...
Salloes red for flags ...	... 1 Corge.

[27TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MAY 1701*——

This evening ship Hampshire Zachary Tovey Comander arrived from England, and the Purser, bringing ashore the Honble: Compe: Pacquet, the Councill mett to peruse the same, which being open'd was found to contain as ℔ the following List.

LIST OF THE PACKET FOR THE FORT BY THE HAMPSHIRE Vizt:

1. Companys Generall to the Fort dat: 20th: Novr: 1700.
2. Copy of the Compe: Generall to the Fort dated the 21st: August 1700 sent Overland Via Bombay.
3. Copy of the Compe: Genll: to the Fort dat: 18th: & 25th: June sent by the Advice frigat.
4. Invoice of the Hampshire.
5. Bill Lading of the said ship.
6. Charterparty of ditto.
7. Additionall Covenants for Henry Daver to be a Factor dated 15th: November 1700 [with] the Bond to perform them, which being Executed are to be return'd us.
8. Patterns of Oringalls, Rowalue, Podavetz [and] striped Betteela's.

Not sent. 9. List of soldiers on the Hampshire.

10. Warehousekeepers accot: of Goods want[ing] in severall Bales ℔ Martha and Neptune.

WEDNESDAY 28TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
JOHN MEVERELL — THO: MARSHALL
MR: EMPSON. Indispos'd.

The treasure ℔ Hampshire to be unloaden The Chest of Gold to be delivd: into the Mint to be coin'd into Pagodas.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd forthwith to Unload the Treasure &ce: Goods from ship Hampshire, takeing great care the chests are first well Buoy'd, and that hee deliver the chest of Gold unto the Mintmaster to be coin'd into Pagodas, calling Messrs: Griff[ith] and Mead with the two Essaymasters [to] open and weigh the same, and deliver their report.

[Pags:] 1000 to be delivd: the Warehousekeeper to send to Metchlepatam.

It is order'd that the President deliver the Warehousekeeper Ten thousand Pagodas to send to Metchlepatam ℔ a Country ship now bound thither.

[Proposal] made for buying the ship Hampshire, provided the Advice frigat may be let [. . . . .] to China.

Yesterday here arriveing the Hampshire from England, who bringing out a considerable quantity of silver, It is propos'd by Mr: John Affleck and others the Buying the same for a China Voyage, provided wee wod: lett to hire the Advice frigat to make a Voyage to Canton: The consideration of which is defer'd for a day or two.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

31. Ship Dolphin Lockyre Watts Comander saild for Bengall, by whom sent Genll: Letter to the President &ce: Councill dated the 29th: Instant with severall papers as ℔ List.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE. MAY 1701*—— [31st]

Ship Bome Ventura Coja Cojatoon Noqueda sail'd for Metchlepatam, by whom sent Genll: Letter to the Cheif &ca: Councill dated the 29th: Instant, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for Ten thousand Pagodas &ca: papers as ℔ List, also Generall Letter to Vizagapatam of the 29th: Instant.

The Madrass Pinnace Gersham Go[...] Master arrived from Fort St: David and brought Genll: Letter from the Depy: Govr: &ca: Councill dat: the 31st: May, with Bill Lading for seventy bales on said Pinnace. JUNE 2ND

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMs: WRIGHT
MATT: EMPSON THOMs: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

MONDAY d°.

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer read his accots: for the month April last, particulars Vizt: Land Custom accots: for April month, read &

Choultry Custom	Pags:	173 : 24 : 8
Rubie Brokers	„	85 : 3 : 75
Registring Slaves	„	1 : 12 : —
	Pags:	260 : 4 : 3

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Three hundred and Six Pagodas on that accot: Pags: 306 paid into cash on that accot:

Order'd that Vanhan Norez be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison. European entd: a soldier.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated 31st: past, read. Letter from Fort St: David, read.

Order'd that seventy bales from Fort St: David ℔ the Madrass Pinnace be unlad[en] by the Warehousekeeper. Fort St: David bales to be unladen from ye: Madrass Pinnace.

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his accots: for the month April last, particulars Vizt: Custom accots: for April mo: read &

To Custom on Goods imported and Exported ...	Pags:	2537 : 20 : 22
To Custom on Grain	„	238 : 29 : 60
To Anchorage	„	29 : 18 : —
	Pags:	2805 : 31 : 42

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Fifteen hundred Pagodas on accot: Sea Customs. [Paid] 1500 pags: into cash on [that] accot: [Chest] Gold ℔ Hampshire short in weight.

The Warehousekeeper &ca: reports the weight of the Chest Gold received from England ℔ ship Hampshire which comes short of the Invoice [*Lacuna in the original*] as ℔ their Certificate Enter'd after this Consultation.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. [Pags:] 1000 order'd the Paymr: [Insp]ection of 58 bales of Fort: St: David Goods upon the Comps: complaint of ps: wanting [in ...] bales sent them.

To follow the Example taken (as ℔ Consultation of the 16th: past) for inspection of the Madras Goods, wee order'd fifty-eight Fort St: David Bales in our Godowns here, to be open'd by three of their sorters being then upon the place, whose report is enter'd after this Consultation.

[2ND]

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[P]roposeall of Hireing [the] Advice frigat for China [for] buying silver accepted.

Wee having consider'd & Debated upon y^e: proposeall of M^r: Affleck and others about sending a ship to China and Buying the Companys silver, and there appearing to us so many advantages to the Companys affairs, has induc'd us to conclude & [report ?] thereon for the following reasons:—

The reasons for so doing.

1st: That wee want upward of one hundred thousand Pagodas for the immediate carrying on of our Investments [in] this Presidency, so that without any proceeds to China, it is impossible for us to raise a quarter part of that sum [for] present sale of silver, unless wee'l se[ll] at extravagant low rates, the Shroff well knowing our Necessitys for the same.

2DLY: That the Company on her return, rea[ped] the advantages of custom & coinage the latter being most valuable, in [....] that otherwise wee shall be in great want of Pagodas of this place, with which it is impossible to carry on [our] Investments, there being no Pagodas currant on this coast but what are here coin'd.

3DLY: That it employs the stock of the Inhabitants of this place, who otherwise [will] send it to Metchlepatam to go thence to China upon the new Comp^s: ships, they continuing very industrous [in] their large promises and frequent invitations to our people to come there.

[The] terms for the ship &

The foregoing reasons have induc'd us to conclude with M^r: John Affleck [and] others on the following terms Viz^t: To lett the Advice frigat to Hire to Canton [in] China for Four thousand Pagodas, the Comp^y: to be at the charge of the Diet and Pay of Ten Europe men dureing the Voyage, which charge is not considerable, they being taken out of the Gunroom: As for the other particulars is refer'd to the Agreement between the President and Councill and ffreighters enter'd after this Consultation.

[Rate] for the silver.

We further agree to sell them one hundred thousand Pagodas of silver at seventeen Dollar weight for Ten Pagodas, considering that they are all Ingotts and Duckatoons, which are at least two or three ℔ Cent worse than Dollars in China, and to furnish such Passengers as goes upon said ship with what remains of said silver at the same rate, and the Warehousekeeper is accordingly order'd to deliver said silver by Invoice.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^S: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Warehousekeeper, &c^as: report of the weight of a chest Gold rec^d: ℔ Hampshire.

Wee the subscribers being order'd [by] the President and Councill to see the chest of Gold mark'd N^o: A, received ℔ the Hampshire Capt: Zach: Tovey Com[ander], opened and weighed, which accordingly wee did and find it come out as follow[s] Viz^t:

	Barrs.	lb.	oz.	dwt:	dr.
N^o:	1	4	4	16	—
	2	5	6	11	12
	3	12	5	15	—
	4	9	2	11	—
	5	6	7	4	12
	6	27	5	5	—
	7	15	2	—	—
	8	4	1	8	6
	9	11	9	10	—
	10	25	2	17	12
	11	19	8	18	12
	12	26	6	10	—
	13	25	10	—	—
Pistoles Bag N^o.	14	14	1	1	12
Lb:	208		2	8	18

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And 'tis our opinions the reason there [is] much wanting in each of the premen-[tioned] Ingotts, is occasion'd by Essays being [taken] out of them and omitted to be put up with them; for the Spanish Pistoles come out half a penny weight more than Invoice. Dated in Fort S^{t}: George this 29th: May 17[01].

THOMAS WRIGHT.
VICESSIMUS [GRIFFITH].
MATTHEW MEA[D].
FRANCIS COOKE.
JOHN COOKE.
W^{m}: JENNINGS.

We the subscribers being orderd by the Honble: President &^{ca}: Councill to open Fifty-eight Bales of severall sorts of Fort S^{t}: David Calicoes belonging to the R^{t}: Honble: Company, which being done wee find them all to have their true quantity of peices according to the Ticketts and sort of every Bale. Dated in Fort S^{t}: George the 2^{d}: June 1701.

RICHARD FARMER.
ROBERT CRANWELL.
JOHN BERL[O].

[Terms] of agreement between [the] Presidt: & Councill & ffreightrs: [for the] hire of Advice frigat [...]

CONTRACT and AGREEMENT by and between the Honble: the President & Councill of Fort S^{t}: George for acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: Honble: English East India Company, and Messrs: John Affleck, Robert Pitt, Edward Fleetwood &^{ca}: Freighters for the ffreightment of ship Advice ffrigat burthen One hundred & Thirty Tonn or thereabout William Redhead Comander, now rideing in the road of Madrass according to Charterparty made between the R^{t}: Honble: English East India Company and her Ow[ners] in England Dated the 12th: day of April 1700, to which ships Assistance the said Presid^{t}: and Councill do agree to add a Pilot and Ten Europeans, and be at the charge of their Pay dureing the Voyage, which said Charterparty with and every its Tonnage, Privileges under obligations, together with the Ten men added in this place, wee the said President & Councill do assign & make over unto said John Affleck, Robert Pitt, Edward Fleetwood &^{ca}: ffreighters, to have the Lading and Freightment thereof to [the] Port of Canton in China, or any other port adjacent, for the consideration [of a] sum of Four thousand Pagodas of Ma[dras] to be paid by the said John Affleck, Robert Pitt, Edwd: Fleetwood &^{ca}: freighters un[to] said President and Councill or their successors within Thirty days after the next arrival of the said ship to this Port, or any Port or place on this Coast of Choromandell, [where] she shall Breake Bulk. 'Tis also agreed that the aforesaid ffreighters are and shall [. . .] at all charges of measureing, Presents that shall be demanded or may happen dureing the said Voyage, and that she [be] dispatched from China by the first day of January next ensuing the date here & in case of any casualty or misfortune should happen in their trade to China then the Comander hath liberty to stop till the Tenth of January and no longer on any acco^{t}: whatsoever, the said ffreight allowing and paying her Charterparty Demorage for so many days as the ship shall be detained there after the said first day of January, the said ship being [required?] to sail from hence by or before the 20th: In Witness whereof, Wee the President & Councill for acco^{t}: and in behalf of the R^{t}: Hon: English East India Company, do hereby oblige ourselves on the one part, and John Affleck, Robert Pitt and Edwd: Fleetwood for themselves and in behalf of the Freighters of the said ship on the other part, having hereunto interchangeably sett our hands and seals at Fort S^{t}: George in the City of Madrass this second day of June 1701.

JOHN AFFLECK.
ROBERT PITT.
EDW^{D}: FLEETWOOD.

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Tuesday 3rd.

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thom^{s} : Marshall
John Meverell.

[Warehouse] Acco^{t}: for April. [Gunn]er discharg'd. [Corrall] Gregio 4 Chests sold [at 80] pag^{s} : ℔ m^{d} :

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeep^{r}: read his acco^{t}: for the month April last.

Order'd that Harman Bronoo bee Discharg'd the Gunroom at his request.

Order'd that the four chests of Corrall Gregio received by the Neptune in June 1699 marked A, B, C, D, be sold to Serapa at Eighty Pagodas ℔ maund of 25 pounds, payable in two months, there being noe probability of raiseing the price by keeping it.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom^{s}: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Thursday 5th.

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thom^{s} : Wright
Matt: Empson — Thom^{s} : Marshall
John Meverell.

The Comp^{s}: acco^{t} : Cash for May, read. Corrall beads 500 oz: sold at 10 pag^{s} : ℔ seer of 9 oz:

The President read his acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash for the month of May last, Ballance being Pag^{s}: 6842 :[...]

The Warehousekeeper reports that he has Treated with the Corrall Merchants for a long time about Buying the Beads, [and] at last he has brought them to take off about 500 ounces at Ten Pagodas ℔ seer [of] nine ounces, and cannot prevail with 'em to give more, or take more, It is therefore order'd the same be deliverd them payable in fifteen days.

[Soldier] & Gunner Entd : [... paid into cash [by Arrac] farmers. [Assistant] for ye : Hospitall [entertain'd].

Order'd that Joan Paul Perier be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison for two years, and Thomas Stevens in the Gunroom.

Gruapah &c^{a}: arrac farmers pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Pag^{s}: 566 : 24 for two mo^{ths}: on that account ending the 15th: February last.

Upon the recommendation of D^{r}: Bulkley, It is order'd that Robert Ingram be Entertain'd an assistant in the Hospitall at Three Pagodas ℔ mensem, and to be allow'd for two months which he has already serv'd there.

[...] the owners of ship [50] candy Lead for [...] to be redeliver'd, seven pag^{s} : ℔ Candy.

Capt: Richard Phrip in ship Saram being bound to the West Coast, on whom wee intend to Lade stores considerable of all sorts for the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Acco^{t}: more particularly Gunpowder, and that requireing a Bulk head to be made in the Hold for security of the same, will hinder his carrying Ballast enough for his ship, wherefore upon his request of Fifty Candy of the Companys Lead, which he is to redeliver on his return or Pay for the same at seven Pagodas ℔ Candy, the risque whereof to be wholly on the Acco^{t}: of the Owners of the ship, and accordingly the Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver said Lead, takeing a receipt for the same.

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Mr: Tho: Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: H: Comps: cash Fifty thousand Pagodas on accot: silver sold. [Pags: 50000] paid into Cash for [silver] sold.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Last night Mr: Henry Dobyns factor [died] and this evening was interred.

ATT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 11TH.

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
JOHN MEVERELL THOMS: MARSHALL
Ms: EMPSON. Indispos'd.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his accots: for the month April[last ?] particulars Vizt: Paymrs: accots: for April mo: read.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1115: 11
Charges Cattle	„	16: 19
Charges Diet	„	161: 15
Charges Extraordinary	„	62: 32
Charges Generall	„	472: 20
Accot: Present	„	7: 2[8]
Fortifications & Repairs	„	53: 2[2]
	Pags:	1890: [3]

Our Commission to the Comand [er of] ship Advice frigat of this date (as entered after this Consultation) for the seizeure of Pirats and wearing the Kings Jack dureing her intended Voyage to China, read & sign'd. A comission for the Advice frigats taking Pirats, read.

Order'd that John Finchsherwin [and] Samuel Fredwell be Entertain'd in the Gunroom, and John Jones, James Dan[...], Paul Springer, Titus Owen, John Richard[son] and John Brown be Discharg'd therefrom and that Antonio de Rosairo Portuguez be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison. Men entertain'd & others discharg'd the Gunroom. [...] entertain'd a soldr:

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 4th: Instant, read. [Letter from] Fort St: David read.

Order'd that the thirty four Bales Long Cloth laid aside for the West Coast be now Laden on board ship Saram, with what rice she can take in. [Order'd] 34 bales be Laden [on ship] Saram for Wt: Coast [with what] Rice she can take in.

The Registers place being Vacant by the late death of Mr: Henry Dobyns, It is order'd that Mr: John Berlu be appointed Register in his room of the admiralty Court. [Mr.] Berlu appointed [Register] of ye: Admty: Court.

Order'd that the Paymaster pays Dr: Bulkley sixty five Pagodas, being for medicins provided for the Hospitall in February last. Medicins for ye: Hospitall to [be provided] for.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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[1TH] [Co]py Comission to ye: Advice ffrigat for takeing Pirats wearing the Kings Jack.

Whereas our Sovereign Lord Wi[lliam] the Third by his Commission under seal of England dated the 28th: day of [. . .] 170[0] in the Twelfth year of his reign, [been] graciously pleased to Empower us the President & Councill of Fort St: George to seize Pirats [in] these parts, and to Examine them, a[nd if a] just cause appears, to Try them, and to [give] sentence and Judgement of Death and to award Execution of the Offenders convict[ed]; And wee the Presid[t]: and Councill being credibly inform'd, that severall Pirats [exist ?] in the streights of Malacca and upon the coast of China, whither wee are sending Advice frigat Cap[t]: William Redhead com[ander] Burthen about one hundred and fifty Tons, sixteen Gunns and about Fifty English [men] for which reasons wee Empower you the said Cap[t]: William Redhead by Virtue of his Majesties Commission, to attack & send any Pirats you shall meet with, and in case of resistance, that you sink & destroy them, but such persons of them as you [. . .] you are to secure with their Effects, and [send]' em hither in order to be Tryed: and this in persuance to the putting in Execution his Majesties Commission, Wee do order to wear the Kings Jack & Pennant, pro[vided] that none of the Kings ships are present and this is your Commission for the same. Given under our hands & Dated at Fort St: Geo: in the City of Madrass on the Coast of Choromandell this Eleventh day of June an°: 1701.

THO: PITT PRESIDENT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

BUGDEN Sec[ry]:

12 Received ℔ Pattamar overland, Gen[ll]: Letter from Metchlepatam dated ℔[mo]: Instant accompanying Gen[ll]: Letter from Vizagap[m]: dated the 21st: past, and a Pacquet from Bengall dated the 7th: April last

FRIDAY 13. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOM[s]: MARSHALL
THOMAS WRIGHT — JOHN MEVERELL
M[r]: EMPSON. NOT WELL.

[Order'd] the Town rent paid [to] Govr: of St: Thoma.

The Town rent of this place for one year being due the Ult°: Instant, It is order'd that the same be paid to Ahamud Syde Govern[r]: of St: Thoma, in persuance of the Kings Duans Letter to us, and that the usuall Present of half a peice Broad Cloth &c[a]: be given.

The Advice frigats Charterparty money order'd to be paid the Comr: & Four moths: impress to the men put on board ye: Advice frigat.

Order'd that Pag[s]: 147: 2 be paid [Master] of the Advice frigat, being for Two [. . .] & fifty Dollars allow'd by said ships Charterparty as ℔ his request enter'd next [after] this Consultation, and that the Paymaster pay four months Impress at five Pag[s]: to the ten men put on board the Advice frigat bound to Canton, as ℔ Consultation of the 2[d]: Instant.

Pag[s]: 55000 paid into Cash for silver sold. Pag[s]: 1000 order'd for defraying charges Garrison.

M[r]: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: cash Fifty five thousand Pagodas for silver sold.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison.

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Order'd that Thirty thousand Pag^{s}: be sent to Fort S^{t}: David ℔ Hampshire [with?] the severall stores ordered to be provided [in] Consultation the 27th: May last. Pag^{s}: 30000 to be sent to Fort St: David with the stores formerly provided.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper [pays] six hundred ounces of silver to Messrs: [Robert] Pitt & Edward Fleetwood, to pay the Pilot and ten men sent on ship Advice frigat, [and] wages shall be due to them in China [and] that the store-keeper delivers to Capt: w^{m}: [Redhead] Comander of the Advice frigat, Two candy country Gun-powder, four small Guns with carriages and one hundred [Granade] shells, being for the Defence of the ship, which on her return are to be redeliver'd into the stores, what spent or Embezled to bee paid for by the Commander. 600 oz. silver put on board the Advice frigat to pay her Pilot & 10 men in China wages. Ammunition to be spared the Advice frigat, to be re-delivd. at her return from China.

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the ^{me}: Instant, from Vizagapatam the 21st: past, and from Bengall th 7th: April last, all read. [Letters received] read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

[THE] HON^{BLE}: THO: PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT
[. . .] COAST OF CHOROMANDELL & GOV^{R}:
[OF FORT] S^{T}: GEORGE &C^{A}: COUNCILL.

Honble: S^{r}: &c^{a}:

'Tis allow'd me by Charter-party to take up of the R^{t}: Hon: Comp^{a}: the sum of Two hundred and fifty Ryalls of eight, for the Victualling of the ship, which sum request your Hon^{r}: &c^{a}: would furnish me with, chargeing it to acco^{t}: of the Owners, to be paid out of the first freight she makes.

I am
Honble: S^{r}: &c^{a}:
Yo^{r}: most Obed^{t}: hum^{ble}: Servt:
WILLIAM REDHEAD.

FORT S^{t}: GEORGE
[. . .] June 1701.

Ship Zenall Abdeen, Coja Artoon saild [for] Cuddalore. 13TH

Ship Josiah Capt: Thomas Pye Comander arrived from England, and the Purser comeing ashore, informs their being [bound for] Bengall, and touch'd here only to [acquaint us] that touching at Johanna, they mett M^{r}: [*Lacuna in the original*] the supra [Cargoe] of ship speaker, who desired his pass for England and was on board. Tha[t] said speaker Trading in the river [Masaleige] was surpriz'd by some Pirats com[ing] in a boat at night supposeing them to be their own people whom they had sent a[shore]. The names of persons who went over the Pirats were: Thomas Towsey, Carpenter; Robert Tood, Carpenters mate; George Kelly, Armourer; Edward Charloy, Boatswain; Hugh Maning, Quaterm^{r}: John How, Cook. 15TH

Ship Dutchess Hugh Raimond Comander arrived from England, who gives [. . . .] of his parting with the Bedfor[d] & Ph[œnix] about 300 Leagues this side the cape. 16

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Monday 16th

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Govern[r]:
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — John Meverell

Dutchess Pacquet from [...] open'd. [Treasure &c[a]:] & Dutchess to be unladen.

The Pacquet ℔ ship Dutchess being open'd was found to contain as ℔ the following List enter'd next after this consultation.

Order'd that the Treasure &c[a]: stores ℔ Dutchess be forthwith unloaden.

[Josiah] from England chases ship suppos'd to be [Speaker]

The Josiah from England arriveing in this road yesterday, who touch'd here in her way to Bengall, purposely to acquaint us, that off the Island of S[t]: Lawrance, they chas'd a ship suppos'd to be the Speaker, burthen about 4 (or) 500 Tons, which was taken by the Pirats as she was Trading in the river Masaleige at Madagascar, and had given the men a small Vessell to Transport 'em to what place they pleas'd, with a most impudent certificate, as hereafter enter'd Viz[t]:

The Pirats certificate given the Speakers [Company] whom they had [*sic*]

"These are to Certifie all Governours, Cap[ts]: or whom else it may concern "that the ship Speaker was taken by us whose names are underwritten, and consider- "ing their Misfortune, have given them (that is to say, the said ships company) a "Vessell to Trausport them to [a] place they shall think fitt. Given under our "hands the Eighth day of April 1701. in the River Masaleige [at] Ma[d]agascar."

George B [. . .]
John Ap [. . .]
The Mark 4 of Cornelius G [. . .]

The news of Pirats discourages the ffreighters to send the Advice frigat to China &

This news alarm'd the Adventure [. . .] had hired the Advice frigat for China [and] design'd this day to Dispatch her, and [. . . .] of 'em, being advis'd from England, the [ship] Loyall Cooke was gone thence to China, [being] design'd hither with commodities of the Country, they were inclin'd to desist [from] their undertaking, unless wee lett to [them] the Hampshire on reasonable terms considering the great quantity of [Ta . . .] upon our hands, and the leave that [. . .] has given to employ some ships in y[e]: [country] and the oppertunity wee have of dis[patchting] so much silver to furnish us with pre[sent] money to carry on our Investments, the great encouragement it will be to [the] place, wee have after many debates, [resolved] to Lett the Hampshire to go for China [on] the Terms agreed in the Contract enter'd after this consultation.

therefore the Hampshire is Lett to them.

The ffreighters of Hampshire [...] Charge of y[e]: Ten [...] Comp[a]: were to [...] Advice frigat. Stores Order'd for Fort S[t]: [Davids &] Hampshire to be [traversed] on y[e]: Dutchess.

And whereas in the Contract on the Advice frigat, the company was to be at the charge of Ten men to be added to the ships Company, It is now agreed that altho those ten men proceed on the Hampshire, the ffreighters are to be at the charge thereof.

Order'd that the stores put on board the Hampshire for Fort S[t]: Davids, be travers'd on board the Dutchess.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
John Meverell.

List of the Comp[a]: Packet to Fort S[t]: George ℔ ship Dutchess.

N°: 1. Duplicate Comp[a]: Gen[ll]: to y[e] Fort dat: 8th: Jan[ry]: 1700 sent ℔ Phœnix.
2. Copy of the Comp[a]: Gen[ll]: to the Fort dat: 6th: Dec[r]: 1700 sent ℔ Bedford & Phœnix.
3. Invoice of ship Dutchess.

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4. Bill Lading of ship Dutchess.
5. Copy Ditto ships Charterparty.
6. Duplicate of y^e^ : List of coast Goods to be provided an^o^ : 170[0.]
7. List of ffactors & Writers for the Fort.
8. List of soldiers on board ship Dutchess.
9. List of soldiers on the Bedford.
10. List of soldiers on the Phœnix.
11. List of soldiers on the Hampshire.

Terms of Agreement for the ffreightment of ship Hampshire to China.

CONTRACT and AGREEMENT between the Honble : the President & Councill, Fort S^t^ : George for acco^t^ : of the R^t^ : Honble : East India Company, and Messrs : John Affleck, Robert Pitt, Edward Fleetwood &c^a^ : ffreighters for the ffreightment of ship Hampshire burthen Three hundred seventy five [Tons] or thereabouts, Zachariah Tovey Com[mander] now rideing in the road of Madrass, [as] to Charterparty, made between the R^t^ : [Honble] English East India Company and her [owners] in England dated the 23^d^ : day of October which said Charterparty, with and [. . .] Tonnage, Privileges under obligation [to] the said President and Councill do assign [and] make over unto the said John Affleck, Robert Pitt, Edward Fleetwood &c^a^ : ffreighters to the sole Lading and ffreightment ther-[of to] the Port of Canton in China or any other port adjacent, for the consideration of Eight thousand Pag^s^ : of Madrass, to [be paid] by the said John Affleck, Robert Pitt, Edward Fleetwood &c^a^ : ffreighters, unto the said [President] & Councill or their successors within the Days after the next arrivall of the said [ship] to this port or any other port or place [on] this coast of Choromandell where she [might] break Bulk. 'T is also Agreed, that the ffreighters are and shall be at all ch[arges] of measureing, Presents &c^a^ : that shall [be] demanded or may happen dureing the said Voyage, and that she be Dispatch'd from China by the last day of January next ensuing the date hereof, and in case of any casualty or misfortune should happen in their Trade to China, then the Comander hath liberty to stay any time longer, the said ffreighters allowing and paying her Charterparty Demorage for so many days as the ship shall be detain'd there after the said last day of January, the said ship being ready to sail from hence by or before the 22^d^ Instant, In Witness whereof wee the President & Councill for acco^t^ : and in behalf of the R^t^ : H : English East India Company do hereby Oblige ourselves on the one part, and John Affleck, Robert Pitt & Edward Fleetwood for themselves and in behalf of the Freighters of the said ship on the other part, having hereunto interchangeably sett our hands and seals at Fort S^t^ : George in the city of Madrass this 18th : day of June 1701.

JOHN AFFLECK.
ROBERT PITT.
EDW^d^ : FLEETWOOD.

Ship Josiah Capt : Thomas Pye Comander saild for Bengall. 17
Ship Bedford Capt : John Hudson Comander arrived from England. 17
Commence Brigantine Charles Master saild for Bengall.

WEDNESDAY [17TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & [GOVERNOUR]
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS [WRIGHT]
MATTHEW EMPSON JOHN MEVERELL

Ship Bedfords Pacquet from the Comp^a^ : open'd & rea.

The Pacquet ℔ ship Bedford open'd, was found to contain as ℔ List next after this consultation, also the Comp^s^ : Letter dated the 6th : December last deliver'd us by Capt : Hudson.

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The treasure &c^{a} : ℔ Bedford to be unloaden. Three Chests of Gold ℔ Bedford & Dutchess to be coin'd into Pag^{os} : seventy chests of silver to be coin'd into Rupees. Two bills of Exch^{a} : from the Comp^{a} : order'd to be paid.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd [to unlade] the Treasure &c^{a} : Goods ℔ ship Bedford takeing great care the chests are [well] Buoy'd, and that hee delivers the Mint the two chests of Gold ℔ said ship, with the chest of Gold by the Dutchess to be coined into Pagodas, calling Messrs : Griffith [&c^{a} :] with the two Essaymasters to open and weigh the same and deliver their rep[ort], also that hee delivers seventy Chests of silver to be coin'd into Rupees for Bengal, [accord]ing to the R^{t} : Hon : Comp^{s} : order.

M^{r} : Anthony Haistwell presents us a Bill of Exchange dated the 30th : Nov^{r} : for Pag^{s} : 1052 : 24 payable to M^{r} : W^{m} : Au[. . .] and by him indors'd to said Haistwell, and M^{r} : Henry Davenport presents another bill dated the 20th : November 1700 for Three hundred sixty four ounces silver in french crowns payable to himself, which are order'd to be paid, being advis'd in the Honble : Comp^{s} : Letter dated the 3^{d} : December last.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LIST OF THE COMP^{S} : PACQUET TO THE FORT ℔ SHIP BEDFORD.

1. Duplicate of the Comp^{s} : Gen^{ll} : to y^{e} : Fort dat : 20th : Nov^{r} : 1700.
2. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Gen^{ll} : to y^{e} : Fort dat : 21 August 17[00] sent overland via Bombay.
3. Copy of the Comp^{s} : Gen^{ll} : to the Fort dat : 18th : & 25th : June 1700, sent by the Advice Frigat.
4. Warehousekeepers acco^{t} : of Goods wanting ℔ Martha & Neptune.
5. Invoice of the ship Bedford.
6. Bill Lading of the said ship.
7. Copy of the Charterparty Ditto ship.
8. The Auditor Generalls Letter to the Presid^{t} : & Councill at the Fort dat : 30 November 1700.
9. List of Factors, Writers & Passengers, on y^{e} : Bedford.
10. Patterns of Original, Rowalue, Podavetz & striped B[etteelas.]
11. List of soldiers on board the Hampshire.
12. Pacquet directed to the President.
13. Another Pacquet directed to the President.

Received ℔ Pattamar Overland Letter from Metchlepatam dated [. . .] Instant, incloseing Gen^{ll} : Letter [from] Madapollam of the 2^{d} : ditto with other papers as ℔ List, Also received Generall Letter from Bengall dat :[...] & copy of another dated the 16th : ditto.

FRIDAY 20TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL

Letters received, read.

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the 9th : June, from Madapollam [dated] 2^{d} : ditto and from Bengall dated the 2^{d} : [. . .] last (received overland) &c^{a} : papers in [a] pacquet, all read.

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Mr: John Meverell Land Customer [read] his accots: for the month May last, ℔ticulars Vizt: Land Custom accov: for May moth: read &

Choultry custom	Pags:	204:	1:[16]
Rubie Brokers	,,	213:	26: 40
Town Rents for mos: April and May last.	,,	52:	22: 65
Registring Slaves	,,	2:	—: —
	Pags:	472:	14: 41

and pays into the Rt: Hon: Comps: cash Four-hundred Sixty eight Pags: on accot: Land customs. Pags: 468 paid into Cash on that accot: [Portuguez] entd: soldiers [40 fanams] ℔ Mensem to be [paid the] Chief choultry Conicoply.

Order'd that Francisco de Mount and Antonio de Coasta be Entertain'd soldiers in this Garrison.

Order'd that Jewah the cheif Choultry Conicoply be paid Forty fanams ℔ mensem being the salary of his Predecessor.

The Disposeall of the Honble: Comps: ffactors and Writers sent out by the late shipping, being under consideration, It is resolved as follows, who were accordingly sent for and acquainted therewith. [. . .] of the Comps: servts: [. . .] shipping appointd:

For Fort St: George.

William Warr ffactor, John Scarlet Writer } under the Accomptant.

Theops: Oglethrop writer, under the President.

James Allix ffactor. under the Warehousekeeper.

Villiers Heveningham, William Grosvenor, John Rudge } Writers under ye: Secretary.

Fort St: David.

Richard Skingle ffactor.

Samuel Nelthorp, Francis Pursell } Writers

Metchlepatam.

Francis Hastings, Richard Harrison } ffactors.

Matthew Weld Writer.

Madapollam.

Richard Peirson Writer.

Vizagapatam.

William Morton Writer.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd [to sell] silver at the rate of sixteen & half weighty Dollars ℔ Ten Pagodas, there being [no] silver but what is in the Comps: Go[downs] and our present necessities being sup[plied] by the silver sold to the China ships, [It is] therefore resolved to keep it up to the [same] price. To sell silver at 16½ weighty Dollars for Ten pagodas.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
John Meverell

Ship Phœnix Capt: Thomas Lambert arrived from England. 21

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SATURDAY [21ST]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Compª: Pacquet ℔ Phœnix open'd & read.

The Pacquet ℔ Phœnix from England being open'd, was perus'd, and found to contain as ℔ List enter'd next after this Consultation.

[The . Treasure &cª: of Phœnix to [be unloaden]

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unload the Treasure &cª: ℔ Phœnix, takeing care that the chests are first well Buoy'd.

[Par]ticular persons [of] the Compa: to be [. . .]

In the Invoice ℔ ship Bedford, chest Nº: 266 containing ffrench crowns being sent out for accoᵗ: of severall persons here, as advised in the Rᵗ: H: Compᵃ: Letter dated the 3ᵈ: December last, The Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver the same, takeing their respective receipts, and that of Sʳ: Christopher Musgraves, the President doth particularly take care of, in order to remit it home, his Son Mʳ: Simon Musgrave being dead.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMᵃ: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LIST OF THE COMPᵃ: PACKET TO THE FORT by the ship Phœnix.

1. Compᵃ: Genˡˡ: to Fort Sᵗ: George dat: 8: Janʳʸ 1700.
2. Copy of Compᵃ: Genˡˡ: to Ditto dat: 20: Novʳ: 1700 & 3ᵈ: Decʳ: sent ℔ Hampshire & Bedford.
3. Duplicate of the Compᵃ: Genˡˡ: to the Fort dat: the 6ᵗʰ: December 1700 sent ℔ Bedford.
4. Invoice of the Ship Phœnix.
5. Bill[Lading of ditto.]
6. Copy of the Phœnix's Charterparty.
7. Copy of the Auditor Generalls Letter [to the] President & Councill dat: 30 Novemʳ: [1700] ℔ ship Bedford.
8. List of Factors and Writers sent to[Madras] anno 1700.
9. List of Coast goods to be provided an[. , .]
10. Petition of Richard Darley.
11. Petition of Ann Bull.

23 Ship Hampshire Zachary Tovey [Comander] saild for Canton in China.

MONDAY 23RD

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Want of saltpetre for the September

Being under some apprehention [of] the want of salt-petre for the September shipping, Resolved that the Advice frigat [be] immediately Dispatch'd for Bengall

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what Redwood in readiness, to be Laden with Petre and necessarys for the use of Garrison, and on her return, that she sent to the West Coast or Dispatch'd [for England] in September, and that the President in Bengall be advis'd to send the Josiah Ketch to the West Coast with Provisions &c^{a}: according to the Comp^{e}: directions.

ships feared. Advice frigat to be sent to Bengall for Petre &cs: and on her return to be sent to the West Coast or England. [Direction] to send ye: [Josiah] [to ye: West Coast.

The disposeall of this years shipping being under our consideration, 'tis agreed as follows Viz^{t}:

[Dispose]all of ye: Europe [shipping agre]ed.

That the Dutchess so soon as she's ready, do proceed to carry Treasure for the Northern ffactorys, to return hither with what Bales can be procured there towards her Loading for England in September next.

Dutchess of ye: No: ern[factorys] to return.

Order'd that Forty four thousand Pagodas be Laden by the Warehousekeeper on board the Dutchess for Metchlepatam & Madapollam and Twenty four thousand Pagodas for Vizagap^{m}: and to Lade what Salt-petre there is in the Godown, reserveing Fifty bags for the use of the Garrison.

[Treasure for]the Northern Factorys [to be laden on]the Dutchess.

There being proposealls made for the ffreighting the Phœnix for Persia, but comeing to no resolution, the further consideration is referred to next Consultation day.

[Proposealls for] Freighting the [Phœnix for] Persia but not [considered]

Resolved that the Bedford be Laden for Europe in January next, and that the Captain do prepare his ship to proceed to Fort S^{t}: David, upon whom the President and some of the Councill designs to take their passage, and upon his return, 'Tis resolved that she be Dispatched with what Rupees will be then ready (the[. . .]day & night at work) for Bengall[. . .] in her Kentlage of salt-petre there.

[Bedford] to be the Jan^{y}: [Ship for Eur]ope, [to proceed to] Fort St: David. & on [her return to] Bengall.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd [to lade] the Charterparty proportion of Redwood on board the Bedford & Dutchess, and that the severall stores Laden on Dutchess for Fort S^{t}: David, be now Travers'd on board the Bedford.

To Lade the Charterparty proportion of Redwood on board the Bedford &cs: ships. Stores for Fort St: David to be travers'd on board ye: Bedford.

Order'd that James Blacket be [discharged] the Gunroom crew, at his request.

European discharg'd the Gunroom.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.

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Wednesday 25th

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Letters to the subordinate factorys, read. [Portugues entertd :]

Generall Letters to York Fort, [P]ryamong, Metchlepatam, Madapollam & Vizagapatam all of yesterdays date, read & approved.

Order'd that John de Soza Portuguez be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison.

[Provisions sent] to Fort St: [David by the Bed]ford. [Agreed that 500 Pags :] be paid ye : Presidt :

Order'd that ffactors provisions be sent to Fort St: David by the Bedford, according to a List now produc'd, they wanting them.

The President acquainted the Councill, that he had been at some charge upon the Companys acco[t] : of which he desired to be excused from giving any particulars, and requests there be Five hundred Pagodas paid him out of the Comp[s] : Cash. Agreed that the same be paid.

Tho : [Pitt.]
[ffrancis Ellis.]
[Thomas Wright.]
[M : Empson.]
Thom[s] : [Marshall.]
John : [Meverell.]

Friday 27.

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thom[s] : Marshall
John Meverell.

[400 pags :] paid into Cash on [acoount of] ye : arrac farm.

Gruapah &c[a] : arrac ffarmers pays into the R[t] : Hon[ble] : Companys cash Four hundred Pag[s] : on that account.

Provisions for ye : Genll : Table to be bought.

The Paymaster is [ordered to buy] the following stores, being wanted [for] the Generall Table Viz[t] :

English beer	4 Tons.
Sauces	2 Cases.
Oyl	10 Gall[s].
Wine Europe	6 Chests.
Cheese	300 lb[s].
Vinegar	40 Gall[s].

Pags : 45000 paid into cash for silver sold. [Pags : 1100 for] turn'd out cloth.

M[r] : Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R[t] : Hon[ble] : Comp[s] : Cash For[ty five] thousand Pag[s] : on acco[t] : silver sold, and Eleven hundred Pagodas being for[the]turn'd out cloth sold at Outcry of the [. . .] for which the Joint Stock Merchants [are] order'd to have credit.

Tho : [Pitt.]
ffrancis [Ellis.]
Tho : [Wright.]
M : [Empson.]
Thom[s] : Marshall.
John Meverell.

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Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 8th: Instant, with copy of the Contract for 20000 Pags: deliverable in September next. 28

ATT A CONSULTATION

SATURDAY [28TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Wee just now receiveing Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 8th: Instant, with copy of their Contract for 20,000 Pags: for the September ship, and adviseing that their Merchants will engage for a further Contract of 30,000 Pags: deliverable [in] January next, It is therefore agreed that six thousand Pagodas be added to the Twenty four thousand order'd the 23d: Inst: to be sent p the Dutchess. 6000 pags: to be [sent to] Vizagapm: p Dutchess.

Order'd that Peter Johnson be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison. [a soldier] entertain'd.

Serapa &c: Joint Stock Merchants informing us that the Dutch who have now made great contracts all along this coast, are tampering with all our weavers to seduce 'em from our service, and whereas it has been the custom in such considerable Contracts as has been lately made here, to Deposit in the weavers hands five Pagodas for each Loom, to be deliver'd in cloth at the last Payment, the Dutch now to ingrosse the Weavers and gett 'em from our Merchants have offer'd to Deposit in the[ir hands] Ten Pagodas for each Loom, so [avoid]the ill consequences if wee should [order] our Merchants to do the same, as they will inevitably loose their[contract], wee order that forthwith Fifteen Pagodas be paid Serapa &c: Joint[Stock]Merchants being in full of their[contract] dated the 16th: August 1700 and Fifteen[thousand]Pagodas advanc'd to them, for which they are to bring the ordinary Long Cloth[and]Salampores upon the Terms of said[contract]. [Dutch]endeavours to draw[our weavers to] them by de[posting 10 pags: for] each loom [. . .] To enable our Merchants to do the same with the Dutch, 30000 pags: order'd to be paid them.

Mr: Matthew Empson pays into the Rt: H: Comps: cash Three thousand Pago[das on]accot: Sea Customs. Pags: 3000, paid into Cash on accots: Sea Customs.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd[to deliver] into the Mint the two chests of Gold [. . .] by ship Phœnix to be coin'd into Pa[godas] calling the severall persons lately [. . .] to see them weigh'd and attest them. The two chests Gold p Phœnix to be coin'd into Pagodas.

[THO: PITT.]
[FFRANCIS ELLIS.]
[THO: WRIGHT.]
[M: EMPSON.]
[THOMS: MARSHALL.]
[JOHN MEVERELL.]

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 27th: Instant &c: papers inclosed. 29TH

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 19th: Instant, with the severall papers mention'd therein. 30

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Monday [30th]

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Genl: Lrs: [recd:]read.

Generall Letters from Fort St: David dated the 27th: Instant and from Metchlepatam the 19th: ditto, both read.

[Fort St:] Davids bills Excha: [. . .]Metchlepm: order'd.

Order'd that Fourteen hundred & sixty Pagodas to be paid Sunca Rama and Three hundred Pagodas to Moota Linga Chittee, being for two Bills of Exchange drawn by the Depy: Governour &cs: Council of Fort St: David both dated the 27th: Instant, also that six thousand Pagodas be paid Kittee Narrain, being for one bill drawn by the Cheif &cs: Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 19th: Instant.

[E]ntd: soldiers.

Order'd that John Hurst, Jacento Deus, Domingo Deigar, Diego Deigar and Manuel Quiela Portuguez be Entertain'd soldiers in this Garrison.

[Factors] entertain'd [for]ye: Wt: Coast.

Robert Scott & Arthur Cutler soldiers, having behaved themselves well and been long Employed in the Book[keepers] office in this place, and they [. . .] offering to go to the West Coast, [ordered that] they be Entertain'd ffactors, and [thirty]Pogodas to each be advanc'd for[. . .]'em necessarys, to be deducted out[. . .] salarys there.

Thirty pags: advane'd to each of the two ffactors entd: for the West Coast.

Order'd that one chest of Dollars[be sent] to the West Coast ℔ ship Sarum if propper [. . .] are procureable, it being the Rt: H: Comps: repeated orders for sending full supplys.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

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Ship Advice frigat William Redhe[ad Comdr:] saild for Bengall, by whom sent [Generall] Letter to the President & Councill dated 24th: Instant &cs: papers as ℔ List [. . .] ship went Passengers three of the servants Vizt: Messrs: John Moun [. . .] Mr: Van Sittart and Mr: Charles. [R . . .]

[July] [Tu]esday ℔mo [1st]

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

[1000 Pags: Ordered] to be paid ye: Paymr: [for] charges Garrison.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

[Portuguez]entd: soldier

Order'd that Joan Pereira & Francisco de Sorza Portuguez be Entertain'd soldiers in this Garrison.

[Pags: 6000] paid into Cash for Goods sold.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash six thousand Pags: on acct: silver and Goods sold.

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Order'd that the Paymaster Advances One hundred Pag^{s}: to Kittee Narrain to def[ray] his Expences to Metchlepatam & Mada[pollam] for which he is to render an acco^{t}: at his return, and that Fanams 10: ^{ca}40 be also paid him, being the Ballance of an Account now deliver'd in, of One hundred Pag^{s}: formerly advanc'd him, to defray charges of his last Expedition thither.

[Pag^{s}: 100] to be paid Kittee Narrain [for] bearing his charges [nor] thward & [. . . .] as the Ballance of [. . . .] acco^{t}: formerly.

Order'd that what wages due to Jango deceas'd late cheif Dubash be paid at five Pag^{s}: ℔ mensem.

Wages due to Jango Dubash to be paid.

Wee being credibly inform'd of Nabob Doud Cawns comeing to S^{t}: Thoma that he'l be there in few days, being upon his march, It is Agreed [a] Present be prepared for him, [Duan,] Buxie, the particulars to be here concerted.

The Nabob of these parts being expected at S^{t}: Thoma, a Present to be prepared for him &c^{a}: officers.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 2ND

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM^{s}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

This day Doud Cawn comeing [to] S^{t}: Thoma, wee sent Narrain to wait [on] the Duan, to know when would be the properest time to attend the Nabob with our Present, who in the Evening returned & brought us word, that the Duan ad-[mits] us tomorrow morning.

Narrain sent to y^{e}: Duan to [know] when wee shod: attend [on the] Nabob wth: our Present. [word ?] was brought tomorrow morning.

The Garrison being in good order the Govern^{r}: gave out necessary Directions [to] the officers to be very strict in their Duty and keep both companys to their Arms to prevent Surprize, and order'd the Gunner to shot all the Guns upon the works towards S^{t}: Thoma.

[Necessary] orders given to keep Garrison in good defence

The Councill are order'd to meet tomorrow morning at six a clock to consult the Quantum of the Present, and who are proper to send to wait on the Nabob.

[Councill] to meet tomorrow [morning to] consult what [. . .] y^{e}: Nabob.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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THURSDAY 3RD :

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMˢ : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Presents] to the Nabob &cᵃ : The persons appointed to carry yᵉ : Presents for yᵉ : Nabob &cᵃ : sett forward about 10 this morning.

Wee having Agreed the amount of the Present to the Nabob, Duan, Buxie &cᵃ : as ℔ List hereafter Enter'd, and Mʳ : Ellis offering himself to go with it, 'twas Agreed that hee and Mʳ : Davenport should go, with Capᵗ : Lam[bert], the latter out of curiosity being desireous to see the Nabob &cᵃ : and to attend them [with Ling] uists, It is order'd that Narrain & the [Linguists] go with them; so about ten this morning they sett out, attended with a serjant Foils of Granadeers.

The ready cash design'd for the Nabob for his Present complain'd of by yᵉ : Duan as not enough. One thousand Rupˢ : more sent Mʳ : Ellis for yᵉ : Nabob.

The Linguists going directly to [the Duan] to give an accoᵗ : of the Present for [him], the Nabob & Buxie, hee complain'd [. . .] ready money for the Nabob was too [. . .] desired that the Persia Mare might [. . .] and two half peices of yellow cloth, and [that] the Nabob might have one thousand [rupˢ :] in the room of it, of which Mʳ : Ellis [. . .] the Governour by note, who with the [order] of the Councill sent him One thousand [rupᵉ :].

Mʳ : Ellis &cᵃ : returning, acquits their reception from yᵉ : Nabob. [. . .] his present brought back, part of the Duans & all the Buxies.

About eight this night Mʳ : Ellis, return'd from Sᵗ : Thoma, acquaints us of the odd sort of reception they had [from] the Nabob, and that he had return'd the Present except two Parrots, and that [the] Duan accepted of what Cloth &cᵃ : but money intended for him was brought [back] they having not an oppertunity to [visit] him, after their Vissitting the Nabob [. . .] Buxies Present &cᵃ : was likewise br[ought] back, and one of the Granad[iers] as he return'd hither.

The Councill & Comanders of yᵉ : [Eur]ope ships to meet tomorrow evening to consult what is necessary for defence of yᵉ : Garrison.

Councill to be [summond to meet] at 7 a Clock tomorrow [evening with] Comanders of the Eur [ope ships to consult] what is most proper to be done to reinforce the Garrison and prevent the Nabob from doing us any mischief.

THO : PITT.
FFRANOIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT
M : EMPSON.
THOMˢ : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LIST OF THE PRESENTS SENT BY Mᴿ : ELLIS [℔ . .] FOR THE NABOB &Cᴬ : OFFICERS AT Sᵀ : THOMA.

To the Nabob

[℔ ti]oulars of yᵉ : Presents to Nabob &cᵃ : officers.

Scarlet two half peices	qᵗˢ	24 yᵈᵉ :
Broad Cloth red ordinary	„	1 pˢ :
Ditto Yellow	„	2
Rose-Water	„	1 chest.
China silk Gold	„	1 pˢ :
Ditto plain	„	1

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China Sweetmeats	q^{ts}	3 Jars.
Two Parrots	„	Nil.
Spirits	„	50 bottles
Ditto with Gold leaf	„	12
Looking Glasses small	„	4

A Persia Mare
Rupees Three thousand five hundred.

To the Duan

Broad Cloth red ordinary	„	1 p^{s} :
Ditto Yellow	„	2 p^{s} :
China Silks	„	[...]
Perpetuanoes fine	„	[...]
Ditto ord^{y} :	„	[...]
Looking Glasses small	„	[...]
Rupees Two thousand	„	[...]

To the Buxie

Broad Cloth red ordinary	„	[...]
Ditto Yellow	„	[...]
Perpetuanoes fine	„	[...]
Ditto ordinary	„	[...]
Looking Glasses small	„	[2]

Rupees Five hundred

To the Duans Bro^{r} : Amud Tire.

Broad Cloth red ord^{y} :	„	1 p^{s} :
Looking Glasses small	„	2

To Mamood Abdula

Broad cloth red ord^{y} :	„	1 p^{s} :
Looking Glasses small	„	2

ATT A CONSULTATION

FRIDAY 4TH :

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R} : PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL — JOHN HU[DSON]
THOMAS LAMBERT — HUGH [RAYMOND]

Wee being inform'd by [the people we] keep at S^{t}: Thoma, that after [. . .] came away last night, the [Nobob . . .] in discourse about this place [. . .] saying [. . .] that Ten thousand Pagodas should not Excu[. . .] reflecting upon the amo^{t}: of our Revenues [. . .] particularly upon the Tobacco & Beetle, and Building the Black Town wall and several other things, from which wee inferr, as like[wise] from all his actions since he was Nabob, [. . .] wee must expect no favour from him; for [. . .] yesterday of his own accord, he told our Ling[uists] that he had sent four Chubdars and Twenty men as a safe Guard to prevent any of his army Plundering our Villages, notwithstanding which, they fell in upon one of 'em this [morning] and carried a great quantity of straw and Firewood, whereupon the Govern^{r}: wrote [to the] Nabob and Duan the two Letters enter'd [after] this Consultation.

[...] y^{e}: Nabobs discourse of this [place] & other causes, his [fa]vour is suspected.

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[Ra]ther than gratifie the Nabobs unreasonable dem[d] : [. . .] preparations to be made [to] withstand him.

Wee considering that if there be no stop put to these unreasonable demands [of the] Nabobs &c[a]: that the ill consequences will in a little time, be no less than a vast [. . .] all charge to this place, and wee all unanimously concludeing this to be a proper [time] to withstand 'em, being inform'd that [his] army consists of no more than Three [thousand] Horse and seven thousand foot, wee think ourselves in a condition with the force [wee] have and can raise to Baffle him, if he offers to make any attempt upon us, [By] order of the Gov[r]: & Councill, and advice [of] the Comanders of the Europe ships & Com-[issioned] Officers of the Garrison, 'Tis resolved that the following measures be taken Viz[t]:

1st. That the Europe ships tomorrow morning, Land men [acc]ording to Charterparty Viz[t]: Fifty out of the Bedford, Thirty from the Dutchess, and Thirty from y[e]: Phœnix which will [make a good] Marrein Comp[any].

2nd: That the Train'd [. . .] of this [. . .] Tomorrow rais'd [Cap[t]:] Geo[rge] Heron be appointed [Captain] M[r]: John Berlu Lieutenant [and] Thomas Wigmore Ensign & Commissions be accordingly drawn out.

3rd: That about one hundred & twenty of the Portuguez Inhabitants are to be immediately rais'd and armed a[nd] for[med] into a Company and Comanded by Cap[t]: Emanuel de Si[. . .].

4th: That the Paymaster entertains [one] hundred Peons to lye out as Scouts for intelligence & re-inforce our out-watching places.

5th: That all the Comp[s]: Cloth be brought in from the Washers, wash'd and unwash'd to prevent its being Plu[ndered] and that the likeliest men of the washers be arm'd and Posted in our out Villages.

So all the preparations wee are cap[able] of being made for the defence of the place, wee resolve that if the Nabob [will not ?] accept of the Present wee first proffer'd [him], that hee shall have nothing.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOM[s]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO NABOB DOUD CAWN ATT S[r]: THOMA

Your Excell[y]: on your comeing to S[t]: Thoma was so just and generous as to appoint our own people to guard our Towns to prevent [their] being plundered, which occasion'd my [not] sending any of our own people, but I am just now in form'd that your men have fallen in on the Towns and plunder'd [them] which is contrary to the trust wee [reposed on] yo[r]: Excell[ys]: word and justice. July 4th: [. . .]

THOMAS PITT.

TO THE DUAN MAMOOD SYDE ATT S[r]: THOMA.

'Tis great satisfaction to me that [I] have a person of your Hon[r]: and worth to be friend, for which my acknowledgements [will] never be wanting.

The Nabob out of his own generosity appointed guards for our Towns, which prevented sending some of our own, but this morning contrary to his word of honour, his people are plundering of 'em. I am unwilling to occasion troubles in the Kings country, therefore I write to your Hon[r]: his Maj[ties]: Duan: what can I write more.

July the 4th: 1701.

THOMAS PITT.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — SATURDAY [5TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR	
FRANCIS ELLIS	THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON	THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL	JOHN HUDSON
THOMAS LAMBELT	HUGH RAYMOND.

Councill mett to put [yester]days resolution in Execution.

The Councill mett this morning and the Comanders of the Europe ships sent for in order to put yesterdays resolution in Execution.

Army continuing to [plunder] in our Towns, a Letter sent to the Nabob.

Being advis'd by our out Guards that some of the army had again plunder'd our out Towns of straw and wood, the Governour wrote the Nabob a Letter as entere'd after this Consultation, and sent a Letter for him which he receiv'd from Zulphaker Cawn.

Reported that ye: Nabob has wrote for more forces.

'Tis reported that the Nabob has wrote Letters to the Governours of all Forts hereabout to send him in what force they have of horse and foot, and to the Dutch to spare him Ca[valry].

[Genll: Letter] from St. Davids read, [and] their bill Exchas: for 300 pa: order'd to be paid.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 3^{d}: Instant, read. And therein advised their having drawn a bill of Exchange for Three hundred Pag^{s}: payable to Sunca Ram[a]; Order'd that the same be paid.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO NABOB DOUD CAWNE ATT S^{r}: THOMA.

I received Letters from the great Assed and Cawn Baudre and one for yor: Excell^{y}: which I here send.

I wrote yor: Excell^{y}: yesterday morning that some of yor: forces had plunder'd our Town notwithstanding yourself appointed [y^{m}:] to preserve them; this has been twice [done] much to our prejudice, so that wee must now resolve to provide for our security, [for] that wee are neither to share in yor: Exc[ell^{ys}:] favour nor Justice, which is our great misfortune.

July the 5th: 1701.

THOMAS PITT.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort [S^{t}: David] of the 3^{d}: Instant &c^{a}: papers inclos'd [. . .] — 5TH

The Generall report is, that the Nabob [is] makeing great preparations for attacking this place. — 6

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 7TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR	
FFRANCIS ELLIS	THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON	THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL	JOHN HUDSON
THOMAS LAMBERT	HUGH RAYMOND.

Garrison put into a [state] of Defence.

The Governour & Councill with the advice of the Comanders of the Europe ships and Commission officers of the Garrison, quarter'd the men and appointed

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their particular posts, it being very hotly reported, that the Nabob is making great preparations to come against us.

Order'd that Fifty Lascars more be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Lascars entertain'd. Pags: [1000] paid for carrying [repairs on the Black Town] new wall.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges of the Black Town wall and new works.

Dutchess to be detain'd [for] ye: Nabob so near. Pags: 22000 of the money design'd p Dutchess for Metchlepm: to be sent p Pembrook frigat wth: ye: Comps: Servants. Pags: 12000 paid into Cash for silver sold.

It being thought necessary to detain the Dutchess for countenance of the place dureing Doud Cawns Stay at St: Thoma and whereas by her Forty four thousand was order'd for Metchlepatam, It is no[w] agreed that Twenty two thousand Pags: be sent by ship Pembrook frigat, she [being] suddainly design'd for Madapollam, [. . .] enable them and Metchlepatam to ca[rry] on their Investments, and that the [said] Comps: servants take their passage, as by consultation of the 20th: past were appo[rtioned] for those ffactorys.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Twelve thousand Pagodas on acct: silver sold.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

7 Our Mullah at St: Thoma advises that [in] his conference with the Duan this day [. . . .] Duan told him he fear'd some ill Events [if] wee sent not Ten thousand Pags: and that sum would effectually procure [. . .] requested, whereupon answer was [. . .] the Mullah (to be imparted to the D[uan] that wee expected no new Grants, only a confirmation of our Perwannas in possession and that wee would not add anything to what first sent.

TUESDAY 8TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Letter] from ye: Duan advise [. . .] letters are accommodated [. . .] & yt: he would [. . .] Present. [Duan Letter] sent tomorrow.

The Governour receiving this day a Letter from the Duan, acquaints ye: Councill therewith, translate whereof is enter'd after this Consultation, the purport being to advise us, that he had appeas'd the anger of the Nabob, who would now accept our Present, which wee intend shall be sent him Tomorrow morning, in order thereto, the Councill are desired to meet early.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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From Duan Mahomud Side.

My constant Prayers to he [aven] is for peace and quietness to the whole w[orld] and 'tis my endeavours to forward the same when it lyes in my power, accordingly [I] did the utmost to appease the Nabob, [which] is now effected and he satisfied; you [may] now send one of your trusty English[man] with Narrain and Mullah and the Present which was return'd, which I will see [are] presented & procure their Dispatch. As to my temper to make up all differences, [your] Hon^{r}: may rest assured of me for your [medi]ator. What else material, Coja Homud [will] inform you.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 5th: Instant. 8TH

ATT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 9TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Governour & Councill being [now] Dispatch'd away the Presents that wee return'd with Narrain and our Mulla adding [. . .] to the Nabobs Present a Looking Glass, a China Lanthorn, two China [. . .] and a Dog to a Dog, the Govern^{r}: answering the Duans Letter as enter'd after this Consultation. The return'd Presents sent again to the Nabob &c^{a}: with a Letter to y^{e}: Duan.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

I heartily join with yor: Hon^{r}: in wishing peace and quietness to the whole world, and shall always do and contribute what lyes in my power to effect the same when 'tis to be had on hon^{ble}: & just terms. I have sent Narrain and Coja Amood with the Present that was return'd, desireing that it may be deliver'd as was first design'd. I shall always acknowledge yor: Hon^{rs}: favour and proclaim you to the world to be a man of honour & justice. July the 9th: 1701. Duan Mahomud Side att S^{t}: Thoma.

THOMAS PITT.

ATT A CONSULTATION THUESDAY 10TH:

Present

THOMAS PITT [PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:]
FRANCIS ELLIS [THOMAS WRIGHT]
MATHEW EMPSON [THOM^{S}: MARSHALL]
JOHN MEVERELL.

Narrain and the Mullah return'd about one a clock this morning from S^{t}: Thoma and gives us the following account. Our people who carried y^{e}: Presents to the Nabob &c^{a}: return'd.

That the Nabob receiv'd his Present very kindly with great expressions of friendship and sent a Horse and Tashereiff to the Govr: That the Duan had received his Present, [but] told them, that hee had added Fifteen hundred Rupees of his own to the Nabobs to make it acceptable to him, the meaning of which wee well understand, and told 'em, that if Coja Amud our Mullah should come to-morrow, he would give him Perwannas for confirmation of our Privileges. An accot: of their negotiation.

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[No] Confidence to be put in the Nabob, althô he appears friendly.

This suddain alteration happening makes us fear a snake in the Grass, and resolve that wee will not Disband any of our forces till his army marches, unless [they] be ship Dutchess's men, wee having great occasion to send her to our Northern factory [s] with money to carry on their Investment.

The money intended ℔ Pembrook frigat to be sent on yᵉ : Dutchess.

And whereas by Consultation of the 7th : Instant, wee resolved to send 22000 by the Pembrook frigat and the Companys servants for those parts, It is now order'd that all the former money intended for [those] factorys, be sent on the Dutchess, that she be Dispatch'd with all speed.

[. . . . Dutchmen,] & [. . . .] at Pulicat, the boat & two of yᵉ : men deliver'd.

Their punishment appointed.

Whereas three Dutchmen Vizᵗ : Peter Johnson, Hance Hermanson & [*Lacuna in the original*] some days past run away with the Dutchess Yawl to Policat, where they were apprehended by the Dutch cheif there and notice given us thereof, upon which the Govʳ : sent persons to receive 'em, to whom two of the men and Boat was deliver'd, and the other detain'd upon the accoᵗ : of his being their Countryman, whose delivery wee still insist upon and considering that if these men are not made a publick Example, 'twill be an encouragement for others to do the like, wee therefore order that Peter Johnson & Hance Herman be deliver'd into the custody of the Marshall and hee put 'em in a boat and carrys 'em to the sides of three Europe ships now in the road, and gives 'em Twenty one Drubs on the bare backs at each ships side, and afterwards deliver 'em up to their Comander Capᵗ : Raymond.

Letter from Ftᵗ : Stᵗ : David, read.

Generall Letter from Fort Stᵗ : David datᵈ : the 5th : Instant read.

Bill of Exchᵉ : from Stᵗ : David order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Four hundred & fifty Pagᵒ : be paid Sunca Rama, being for one bill of Exchange drawn by the Depʸ : Governʳ : &cᵃ : Councill of Fort Stᵗ : David dated the 4th : Instant.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMᵃˢ : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

FRIDAY [11TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMᵃˢ : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[. . . northern factorys.] [The freight] of yᵉ : Compᵃˢ : Goods for yᵉ : Wᵗ : Coast to be [paid]

Addition to our Letters for Metchlepᵐ : & Vizagapatam intended ℔ Dutchess, both of this date, read and approved.

The ffreight of the stores &cᵃ : sent to the West Coast ℔ ship Sarum on the Honᵇˡᵉ : Companys accoᵗ : being settled by us, amoᵗ : to Pagᵃ : 465 : 12, It is order'd that the same be paid here.

Nabob sends word himself [wil] come & dine wthᵘ : us.

This day the Nabob sent us word, [that] tomorrow, himself, the Duan & Buxie would Dine with us, and desired to know with what attendance wee would admit him. Wee would fane have evaded it, but the messenger he sent, pressing us so hard for a Direct answer, wee sent him word, that the Honʳ : was too great to desire it, and greater than wee expected, and if hee pleased to come, hee should be very welcome and wee be ready to receive him in the Garrison wthᵘ : One hundred horse, so all imaginable preparation is order'd to be made, and Messʳˢ :

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Marshall & Meverell (two of the Councill) attended with Ten Foils of Granadeers ordered to meet & receive him at Mr: Ellis's Garden [and,] to conduct him into Towne.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Pembrook frigat George Weoly [Comander] saild for Madapollam, on whom Mr: Peirson writer took his passage, hee [being] appointed for that place. 12

Mr: Joseph Hiller arrived overland from Metchlepatam, by whom recd: Generall Letter from the Cheif &cª: Councill there dated the 26th: past &cª: papers. 12TH

About 12 this noon, the Nabob, the Kings Duan & Buxie was conducted into Town by Messrs: Marshall and Meverell, the streets being loin'd with soldiers from St: Thoma Gate up to the Fort, and the works that way man'd with the Marrein Company handsomely clothed with red coats & caps, and the curtains of the inner Fort with our Train bands, all which made a very handsome appearance. The Governr: attended with the Councill, the Mayor, the Comandr: of the Europe ships and some of the principal freemen, received him a little way out of the Gate of the Fort, and after embraceing each other, the Govr: presented him with a small ball of amber Greece cas'd wth: Gold and a Gold chain to it, and then conducted him into the Fort and carried him up to his Lodgeings, when after sitting some time the Nabob was pleas'd to pass very great complements upon us, commending the place as to what hee had hitherto seen of it and gave us all assureance of his friendship after which the Govr: sett by him two Cases of rich cordiall waters and call'd for wine, biding him wellcome by fireing 21 peices Ordnance. Soon after the Govr: drank to him the Mogulls health with 31 peices Ordnance and the principal Ministers of State (our friends) as also the Nabob, Duan & Buxies with 21 peices Ordnance each, all which healths the Nabob Pledg'd in the cordiall waters; so, soon after, the Dinner being ready, (wch: was Dres'd and managed by a Persian Inhabitant) the Governr: conducted the Nabob &cª: into the Consultation room which was very handsomely sett out in all respects, the Dinner consisting of about six hundred Dishes small and great, of which ye: Nabob, Duan & Buxie and all that came with him eat very heartily, and very much commended their entertainment. After Dinner, they were diverted with ye: Danceing wenches. The Nabob was presented with Cordiall waters, ffrench Brandy and Embroider'd China Quilts, all which hee desired. The Duan upon his promiseing us a Perwanna had a Rubie ring. The Buxie had one likewise offer'd him, but refus'd [it,] who seem'd all day out of humour, occasion'd as were inform'd by some words that he pass'd this day between the Nabob, Duan [and] him before they came hither.

About 6 in the evening they return'd to St: Thoma, the Govr: & Councill & Gentlemen in Town with the Comanders of the Europe ships waiting on 'em without the [Gate] of the Fort, where they mounted their horses and were attended by Messrs: Marshall and Meverell to the place they receiv'd 'em, and as their going out of St: Thoma's Gate were saluted with 31 peices ordnance.

Messrs: Marshall & Meverell returning acqted: the Govr: that the Nabob desired tomorrow morning to go aboard one of the Europe ships; and in order thereto, that six Mussoolas might be sent to Triviecane, which was accordingly done, and the English ships boats order'd to attend him, and the Comanders of the ships were acquainted with it.

About 7 a Clock this morning Messrs: Marshall & Meverell went to Trivle- 13TH
cane, in order to wait on the Nabob aboard the English ships, and the Comanders went off to receive him, and Narrain being sent to St: Thoma to acquaint ye:

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Nabob that the Boats lay ready and that the English Gentlemen waited there to know his pleasure, but he having been very Drunk over night, was not in a condition to go and defer'd it till Tomorrow morning.

The Brakefast wee intended aboard ship for the Nabob, was sent to S^{t}: Thoma, which hee accepted very kindly.

This day the Buxie sent to the Govr: to desire leave to come into Town, to Dine with a Persian of his acquaintance, and afterwards that hee might see the Comp^{s}: Garden, which was accordingly granted, where wee sent Narrain to wait on him and see whether hee was in a better humour than yesterday, and to Present him with the ring he refused, with a Gold snuff box, both to the Value of about seventy five Pagodas, both which hee accepted, declareing that hee had no resentments against the English, but should be ready to serve them upon all occasions, but he thought in the management of these affairs, the Duan had not done farely by him.

14 The friendship of this Buxie is not soe much desired for the Post he is now in, but that he is of a very great ffamily and has many relations near the King.

The Govern^{r}: and Councill mett to peruse the following Letters Viz^{t}: from Metchlepatam dat: y^{e}: 26th: June last &c^{a}: papers therewith received, from Fort S^{t}: David dat. 11th: Instant & To Fort S^{t}: David of this date, which latter was immediately Dispatch'd, it being to order the Dep^{y}: Govr: and Councill to cause Vinca[ta]pate Poligar (whom they protected) to dep[art] the Comp^{s}: bounds, Abdull Labby Govr: of Chellumbrum, having wrote complaining Letter to the Nabob & the Govr: that he is his enemy.

Wee had several Alarms from S^{t}: Thoma that the Nabob was going aboard ship, but his mind alter'd, and then hee desired to see the Comp^{s}: Garden, which wee us'd all means to divert him from, by reason in going to it, hee must have had a View of all the weakest part of the Town.

14 And this day he sent word to the Govern^{r}: that he was inform'd from Abdull Labby Govr: of Chellumbrum that our Dep^{y}: Govr: of Fort S^{t}: David protected the Kings Enemys and desired that wee would take care that the like be not done for the future; The Govr: answerd, that he would immediately write away to Fort S^{t}: David about it, which was accordingly done.

Ship Sarum Richard Phrip Comander saild for Fort S^{t}: David, touching there to take some Goods and then proceeds to the West Coast; on her M^{r}: Robert Cranwell took his passage for the former place.

15 This morning the Nabob sent word to the Govern^{r}: that he would make him a Vissit at the Comp^{s}: Garden, whereupon Narrain was sent to endeavour to divert him from it, which if he could not do, that then to advise the time of his coming. So Narrain about 12 Noon sent to the Govr: to acquaint that the Nabob was comeing with a great detachment of horse and foot with all his Elephants, and what he meant by it he could not imagine, so the Govr: orderd imediately to beat up for y^{e}: Train bands and the Marrein Company, and drew out a Detachment of one hundred men under the command of Capt: Seaton to attend him and those Gentlemen of the Councill &c^{a}: who went to the Garden to receive the Nabob. But Narrain seeing the Nabob coming in such a manner, told him 'twould create a jealousy in the Governour, and doubted whether hee would have such a reception as he expected and desired him to halt some where till he sent the Govr: word and receive his answer, upon which the Govern^{r}: sent Narrain word hee was ready to receive the Nabob at y^{e}: Garden, but before the answer came to him, the Nabob was got into a Portuguez chappell very Drunk and fell asleep, and so soon as waked (w^{ch}: was about 4 a clock in the afternoon) hee order'd his camp to march towards the little Mount where he pitch'd his Tents, and sent to the Govern^{r}: to excuse his not coming to y^{e}: Garden and desired him to send a Dozen bottles of Cardiall waters, which were sent him.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JULY 1701*——

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R} :
FRANCIS ELLIS THOM : WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^{S} : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

WEDNESDAY 16TH.

M^{R} : Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his acco^{TS} : for the month May last, particulars Viz^{t} : Paym^{rs} : acco^{t} : for May mo: read.

Charges Garrison	Pag^{s} :	1154 :	—
Charges Cattle	,,	15 :	29
Charges Diet	,,	224 :	6
Charges Extraordinary	,,	4 :	22
Charges Generall	,,	394 :	31
Acco^{t} : Present	,,	—	26
Josiah Ketch	,,	126 :	—
Fort S^{t} : David	,,	100 :	14
Fortification & Repairs	,,	60 :	15
	Pag^{s} :	2080 :	35

Order'd that one thousand Pag^{s} : be paid M^{r} : Thomas Marshall to defray charges Garrison. Pag^{s} : 1000 paid y^{e} : Paym^{r} : for Charges Garrison.

M^{r} : Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{s} : cash Twelve thousand Pag^{s} : on acco^{t} : Silver sold. Pag^{s} : 12000 paid into Cash for silver sold.

Order'd that Twenty thousand Pag^{s} : be added to the former sum formerly order'd for Fort S^{t} : David, and that the Warehousekeeper Lade the same on board the Bedford. Pag^{s} : 20000 order'd for Fort S^{t} : David.

This morning our Spys writing us that the Nabob with his army continued encamp'd at the little Mount, made us unwilling to disband any of our forces, yet considering that our Factorys to the Northward may want money to carry on their Investments, It is order'd that the men belonging to y^{e} : Dutchess be immediately sent on board, and the ship this day Dispatch'd. [No forces] to be disbanded [but the] Dutchess men, till the Nabob bas march'd away.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.
THO : WRIGHT.
JOHN MEVERELL.
M : EMPSON.

16TH We sent the Mullah to attend the Duan for our Perwannas, who made some scruples about wrecks and our out Towns, which wee endeavour'd to obviate.

Ship Dutchess Hugh Raymond Comander saild in the night for Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam, by whom sent Pacquets to each place; there going on her Messrs : Francis Hastings, Richard Harrison ffactors, and Matthew Weld Writer for Metchlepatam, and William Morton writer for Vizagapatam.

17 This day the spys from the camp advises that the Nabob was march'd with his army about a mile on the other side of Pollumalee.

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FRIDAY 18TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Comps: accot: cash for June, read.

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash for the month June last, Ballance being Pags: 129283: 25.

Sea Custom accots: for mo: May read.

Mr: Matthew Empson read his [sea] custom accots: for the month May, particulars Vizt:

To Custom on Goods Imported and Exported ...	Pa:	1901:	25:	60
To Custom on Grain	„	57:	7:	30
To Anchorage	„	31:	—:	—
To ffreight	„	2:	18:	—
	Pags:	1992:	14:	90

Pags: 1000 paid into Cash on that accot: Mint accots: for May & June read.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash One thousand Pags: on accot: Sea Customs.

The President read his Mint Accots: for the months May and June last, particulars Vizt:

May. To Custom on Gold coind	Ps:	202:	15
June. To Ditto.	„	105:	8
	Pags:	307:	23

Pags: 16500 paid into Cash in part of Gold recd: from England.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash sixteen thousand five hundred Pagodas in part of Gold coind recd: ℔ Hampshire from England.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMs: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

18 Wee disbanded the Bedford & Phœnix's men and sent them off.

19 Disbanded the Portuguez and drew off [our] Company that lay at the Out Guards, many of 'em falling sick for want of conveniency of Lodgeings there, and by reason of the great fatigue of about twenty days lying at their arms.

SATURDAY 19TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMs: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Pags: 15000 paid into Cash for silver sold. Contracted for 600 Candys of redwood.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeepr: pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Fifteen thousand Pags: on Accot: silver sold.

There being great want of Redwood for the Kentlage of the Europe ships, It is agreed that wee contract with Mootemar for six hundred Candys at Pags: 2¼ ℔ Candy, and that the Warehousekeeper advance the Money as Mootemar calls for it.

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The Warehousekeeper is order'd to Lade on board the Phœnix for Bengall, what Rupees can be gott ready out of the Mint against her departure. What Rupees can be got ready to be Laden on the Phœnix for Bengall.

Ponnagettee Narso &c^{a}: Tobacco & Beetle [ffarmers] pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{e}: cash One thousand Pagodas, on that acco^{t}: Pag^{s}: 1000 paid into Cash for the Tobacco & Beetle farm.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVEERELL.

Dispatch'd Overland for Fort S^{t}: David in order to go ℔ ship Saram now there, our Gen^{ll}: Letters to York Fort and [P]ryamong dated the 24th: past month &c^{a}: papers inclosed. 19

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 21ST:

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM^{S}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Order'd that six hundred Pagodas be advanc'd to Yemanah &c^{a}: Painters for Painting of Four hundred Peices of Fine Moorees deliverd them and that Five hundred Pag^{s}: be Paid Paulo &c^{a}: Washers for cureing the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cloth. Pag^{s}: 600 advanc'd to ye: Painters & Pag^{s}: 500 to ye: Washers.

M^{r}: John Meverell Land Customer read his Acco^{ts}: for the month June last, particulars Viz^{t}: Land Custom accot^{s}: for June read &

Choultry Custom	Pa:	259 : 17 : 52
Rubie Brokers	„	145 : 32 : 45
Town rents	„	47 : 32 : 70
Registring Slaves	„	3 : 12 : —
	Pag^{s}:	456 : 23 : 7

and pays into the R^{t}: Hon: Comp^{e}: Cash Four hundred forty nine Pagodas on Acco^{t}: Land customs. [Paid] into the R^{t}: H: C^{e}: cash 449 Pag^{s}: on that accot:

Thomas Bull Souldier produceing John Rawlinson to serve his covenanted time, It is order'd that the former be Discharged [and] that John Russell be Entertain'd in y^{e}: Gunroom. [... Exch] ange of a Soldier & [... Entd: in] ye: Gunroom.

Francis Purcell Writer making his request to lay down the Honble: Comp^{e}: Service as ℔ his Petition enterd after this Consult^{n}: It is consider'd if wee keep him against his inclination, he'll be of little use and that wee have sufficient to carry on the Comp^{e}: Business, It is therefore agreed that hee be Discharg'd. Francis Purcell writer disoharg'd at his request.

The President with some of y^{e}: Councill having design'd for several months past to go to Fort S^{t}: David to inspect matters there but hitherto prevented by some Business or other that has intervein'd, 'Tis resolved that all things being provided for his Voyage and that the Bedford must lye here some time for the coining of Rupees for Bengall[and] that hee Embarks on said ship Tomorrow Morning, The President intending for Fort S^{t}: David tomorrow makes over ye: Comps: Cash to Mr: Ellis.

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and in order there unto, hee read his Acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: Hon: Comp^{s}: cash to this day, the Ballance being Pag^{s}: 41562: 25, which is deliver'd now in Councill to M^{r}: Francis Ellis, who is to act as Cheif till the return of the President, and the Comission officers were sent for and order'd to respect him accordingly, and M^{r}: Vicessimus [Griffith] was sent for and charge given him of [. . .] Sea Customs in the absence of M^{r}: Empson and M^{r}: John Penford in the absence of [John] Meverell of the Land Customs.

The Comission officers to respect M^{r}: Ellis as Cheif till the Presidents return.

Ship Phœnix let to ffreight [for Persia] or Surat.

Wee having at length Lett to ffreight ship Phœnix on a Voyage to Persia or on the Terms of the Contract Enter'd after this Consultation, M^{r}: John Affleck & Coja Paulo were sent for and sign'd it, who promises her Dispatch for Bengall on Wednesday next.

Letter to Bengall, read.

Generall Letter to Bengall of this date, read, approv'd and sign'd.

Pag^{s}: 15000 order'd for Fort S^{t}: David, by y^{e}: Bedford.

Since makeing over the Honble: Comp^{s}: cash to M^{r}: Ellis, Tis agreed that Fifteen thousand Pag^{s}: be added to what formerly order'd for Fort S^{t}: David, and that the same be Laden on board ship Bedford.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To the Hon^{BLE}: Thomas Pitt Esq^{R}:
President & Gov^{R}: of Fort S^{T}: George &c^{A}: Councill.

The Hum^{ble}: Petition of Francis Purcell humbly Sheweth.

Whereas your Humble Petitioner was Entertain'd in the Service of the R^{t}: Honble: English East India Company, in the station of a Writer for the term of five years, do hereby humbly request of your Hon^{r}: &c^{a}: that you will be pleased to Excuse me from the said service, my inclinations leading me more to Sea Affairs than that of a Merchant, So hope Your Hon^{r}: &c^{a}: will take it into your serious consideration and grant my request, which will be the means to make me, to be more serviceable to the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: in that station than in any other, and shall ever be ready to obey all commands yor: Hon^{r}: &c^{a}: shall lay upon me and

As in Duty bound, shall ever
pray for your Hon^{r}: &c^{a}:

Terms of agreement for y^{e}: Freightment of ship Phœnix to Persia or Surat.

Contract and Agreement by and between the Honble: the President & Council of Fort S^{t}: George for acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: Honble: English East India Company, and M^{r}: John Affleck and Cojah Paulo for hireing and Freightment of ship Phœnix Burthen Four hundred Tons or thereabouts Capt: Thomas Lambert Comander now riding in the road of Madrass.

It is agreed that the ship shall proceed hence to Bengall with such Treasure & Goods as the President and Councill shall Lade for Acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: H: Comp^{y}: and what the aforesaid ffreighters shall Lade on their accounts.

That from Bengall, the Freighters have Power to send the ship to Surat [or Persia] with such Loading as they think fitt, oblige themselves that the said ship shall sail from Bengall some time in January next and in case they shall send her to Surat that She is not to be detain'd longer on that Coast than the last of April, and if she proceed to Persia, the Freighters are not to detain her longer there than Thirty days after her arrival in which time they have Power to Lade what Goods and Treasure they please for the Port of Madrass, for that the Ship is to come directly from the Port in Persia or Surat to this Place.

That the ffreighters are to have the use of the great cabin dureing this Voyage and all such privileges mention'd in Charterparty as if she was actually in the R^{t}: H: C: Employ.

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That if the ship proceeds to Persia, the Companys Agent there may put on board her for this place Viz^{t}: Four horses, Thirty Chests of wine and Rose water and Four Candy of all sorts of fruit ffreight free for the R^{t}: H: C^{s}: Acco^{t}: and no other, provide[d] it tends not to the detaining of the ship longer than the time before mention'd, and that 'tis not to the Prejudice of the Freighters.

That the ship goes up the River in Bengall, whereunto the Captain has consented without which they refuse to ffreight the ship, and 'tis agreed that the Pilotage be at the charge of the R^{t}: Hon: Company.

That for the Freightment of the afores^{d}: ship, M^{r}: John Affleck and Coja Paulo do oblige themselves, their Heirs, Executors, Administrators & Assigns, to pay into the President & Councill of this place or their successors the sum of Eight thousand Pagodas Madrass within Thirty Days after the arrival of the aforesaid ship in this Port, from either of her intended Voyages Persia or Surat.

And whereas there has been disputes about Passengers between the Freighters and Comander of the said ship, Wee the President & Councill being unacquainted what has been the custom in such cases, there having been no ships of the Honble: Comp: lett to Freight from this port on those Voyages, and whereas severall has went of late years from Bengall, it is mutually agreed between the President & Councill and the ffreighters that this matter be referred to the Decission of the President & Councill in Bengall to do therein according to Custom, as also in all other matters relating to these Voyages anything contain'd in this paper to the contrary notwithstanding [in] witness whereof wee the President & Councill for Acco^{t}: and inbehalf of the R^{t}: H: English East India Comp^{a}: do hereby oblige ourselves on the one part, and John Affleck & Cojah Pa[u]lo for themselves on the other part, having hereunto interchangeably sett our hands & seals at Fort S^{t}: George in the City of Madrass this nineteenth day of July 1701.

JOHN AFFLECK.
COJAH PAULO.

MEMORAND^{M}:

That if y^{e}: Freighters don't comply in Dispatching the ship from Port to Port as beforemention'd in this contract, that then the Captain of said ship shall give the ffreighters or the Merch^{ts}: appointed by 'em a Protest and Twenty four hours after which he shall be at his liberty to sail.

JN^{o}: AFFLECK.
[COJA PAULO].

This morning the President, Messrs: Empson and Meverell and Charles Bugden Secretary with severall others Embark'd on the Bedford bound for Fort S^{t}: David, which saild about eleven a clock. Ketch Sallaus arrived from Policherry. 22a

Received severall Letters from our Vacqueel at the Mogulls Court. 23

Ship Phœnix Capt: Thomas Lambert Com^{r}: saild in the night for Bengall, by whom sent Generall Letter to the President & Councill there dated the 21st: & 23^{d}: Instant with sev^{ll}: other papers as ℔ List of the Packuet. 24

About eleven a clock at night came our Mullah from Doud Cawn's camp, bringing with him the Duans Perwannas for our affairs to go on according to Salabad.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated 24th: Instant adviseing of two bills Exchange for Fourteen hundred Pagodas payable to Sunca Rama of one tenor & Date. 27

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date &c^{a}: papers as ℔ List of y^{e}: Packuett.

Ketch Sallaus saild for Policherry. 28

Received Generall Letter from President Pitt and his Councill at Fort S^{t}: David dated the 29th: Instant. 31

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THURSDAY 31ST

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS ELLIS ESQR: CHEIFE
THOMAS WRIGHT THOMS: MARSHALL.

Pags: 14000 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Fourteen thousand Pagodas on Accot: Silver & Goods [sold ?].

Pags: 1000 orderd to be pd: the Paymaster & 1400 Pags: for Fort St: David bill.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. and Fourteen hundred Pagodas be paid Sunca Rama being for One bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Governr: & Councill of Fort St: David dated 24th: Instant.

The Storekeepers Accots: for mos: of April May, & June, read.

Mr: Francis Bett Provisionall Storekeeper read his Accots: for the months of April, May and June, which were approv'd.

FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOMS: MARSHALL.

AUGUST MONDAY 4TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

FRANCIS ELLIS ESQR: CHEIFE
THOMAS WRIGHT THOMS: MARSHALL.

Pags: 12000 pd: into Cash by ye: Warehousekeeper.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Twelve thousand Pagodas on Accot: silver and Goods sold.

Portuguez entd: a soldier.

Order'd that Emanuel de Silva Portuguez be Entertaind a soldier in this Garrison.

Pags: 1000 order'd to be paid the Paymr: The accot: of ye: Comps: Cash for 10 days in July, read, and ye: Stewards accots: for one month

Order'd that One thousand Pags: be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

The Cheif read his account of the Rt: H: C: Cash from the 21st: July to the last of do: month Ballance being Pags: 38162: 25: and the Steward read his accot: for the month June last.

FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
THOMS: MARSHALL.

5 Ship Madapollam Matthew Carvallo Master saild for Acheen.

Received ℔ Pattamars Overland Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated 25th: July last, wth: copy of their Contract dated 23d: do: for 43315 Pags: deliverable the ℔mo: January next.

Ship Allee Bux Ramachundra Noquedah saild for Junczeilou.

6 Dispatch'd Generall Letter to the Honble: President & his Councill at Fort St: David of this date, with copys of Metchlepatam Genll: Letter & Contract received thence yesterday.

7 Sloop from Policherry arrived this day

Sloop Expedition Thomas Hounson Master belonging to the Honble: Comps: arrived from the West Coast, by whom recd: a Pacquet from the Dep: Govr: &c: Councill at York Fort, containing their Genll: Letter dat: 28th: June last &c: papers: inclosed.

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Att a Consultation

Saturday 9th

Present

ffrancis Ellis Esqr: Cheife
Thomas Wright Thom^s: Marshall.

Antonio Farnando an Inhabitant here and a sea fareing man, did last year at Quedda Lade four Elephants on board a Dane ship called the Daneburgh, two whereof died in the Voyage, the other two deliver'd ashore here and Valued by M^r: Empson Sea Custome[r] Twenty two days afterwards when sick at six hundred Pagodas, and in eight days more One Died, which occasion'd the said Ant^o: Farnando complaint to us of hard measures to Pay custom for the same, the which wee took into consideration and thought it but reasonable to remitt the Fifteen Pagodas rather than Press too hard upon the poor sufferer.

Pag^s: 15: remitted for the Custom of an Elephant, w^ch: died soon after Valuation.

Generall Letters from York Fort dated 28th: June last, and from the Chief &c^a: Councill of [P]ryamong dated 19th: ditto, read; with severall papers inclosed as ℔ List of the Pacquets.

Letters from y^e: w^t: Coast read.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unload Sloop Expedition with all y^e: speed he can.

Sloop Expedition to be unloaden.

M: Empson. ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
Thom^s: Marshall.

11th 12

Received Generall Letter from Metchlep^m: dated 31st: July last ℔ Pattamars.

Received Generall Letter from the Honble: President & his Councill at Fort S^t: David dated the 9th: Instant.

About 11 a clock this morning ship Bedford arrived from Fort S^t: David and in the Evening the President & Councill and others who went with him came ashore.

Received Generall Letter from Surat dated 29th: January last only recommending to us the Vacqueel of Callender a principal Armenian resident there.

Att a Consultation

Wednesday 13th

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Govern^r:
ffrancis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matt: Empson — Tho: Marshall
John Meverell.

M^r: Francis Ellis read his acco^t: of the R^t: Hon: Comp^s: Cash from the ℔ mo: to this day, Ballance being Pag^s: 49162: 25: which was deliver'd the President.

Comp^s: Cash from y^e: ℔mo: 13th: read & Ball: deliver'd ye President.

The warehousekeeper is order'd to unload what Bales Calicoes &c^a: sent from Fort S^t: David ℔ ship Bedford.

What brought from Fort S^t: David to be unloaden.

The One thousand Pagodas in ffanams carried to Fort S^t: David ℔ ship Bedford, being of Less Value there than here, were return'd again, and the President now Pays the same into the R^t: Honble: Companys Cash.

Pag^s: 1000 in fanams carried [to] Fort S^t: David, returnd & now paid into y^e: Comp^s: Cash.

A very saucy impudent Letter to the President from Amerjohn at the Kings Court received the 7th: Instant, read, being the person who negotiated the Honble: Comp^s: affairs with Nabob Zalphaker Cawn relating to the troubles given us by Celiam Cawn at Fort S^t: David.

Anⁱ mpudent Let er from Amerjohn at y^e: Kings Court read.

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The Warehouse Accots: for mos: May and June, read, and Pags: 5000 paid into Cash for silver &ca: sold. The Secretary Accot: Passes for July mo: read & Pags: 2: 24 paid into Cash by him on that Accot: Sea Custom Accots: for June read &

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Warehouse Accots: for the months of May and June last, and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Five thousand Pagodas for silver and Goods sold.

Charles Bugden Secretary read his Accot: Fees for Passes for the month July last, amount to Four Pags: and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Pags: 2: 24 their part.

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his Accots: for the month June last, particulars Vizt:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported ...	Pags:	2145:	5: 33
To Custom on Grain	„	282:	10: 80
To Anchorage	„	36:	18: —
	Pags:	2463:	34: 13

Pags: 1500 paid into Cash on accot: Sea Customs.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Fifteen hundred Pagodas on that Account.

The Presidents &cas: negotiations at Fort St: David, read & approv'd by this Board.

The President & Councills Diary [&] Consultations of their Negotiations at Fort St: David, being now read, was unanimously approved of by this Board.

York Fort bills of Exchas: for Pags: 4615: 15: 5 orderd to be paid.

Order'd that Four thousand six hundred & fifteen Pagodas, 15fm: 5ca: be paid, being for the following Bills of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Governour &cas: Councill of York Fort all dated the 28th: June last, as advised in their Generall Letter of ditto Date Vizt:

	Doll.	Sov.	Sa.	Pag.	Fa.	Ca.
To Messrs: Jno: Meverell & Fra: Bett for	1000	—	—	588	8	3
To the Honble: President	1974	1	—	1161	11	3
To Messrs: Meverell& Bett ...	1130	—	—	664	25	3
To Messrs: Chardin & Affleck ...	593	3	—	349	9	3
To Mr: Edwd: Barkham	891	2	1	524	17	4
To Messrs: Wheeler & Cockroft ...	193	—	—	113	19	—
To Mr: Stephen Frewen ...	165	3	—	97	18	—
To Messrs: Bett & Frewen ..	67	—	—	39	20	—
To Messrs: Meverell & Bett ..	109	1	—	64	9	3
To Mr: Henry Dobyns ...	100	—	—	58	29	4
To Mr: Thomas Wright ...	554	—	—	325	31	5
To Jno: Styleman & Tho: Wright	914	1	1	537	31	1
To Capt: George Heron ...	153	—	—	90	—	—
Doll. ...	7846	1	—	4615	15	5

Paymrs: accot: for June mo: read.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Accots: for the month June last, particulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1348:	18
Charges Cattle	„	16:	3
Charges Diet	„	281:	31
Charges Extraordinary	„	23:	19
Charges Generall	„	359:	7
West Coast	„	533:	21
Bengall Agency	„	9:	13
Fortifications & Repairs	„	15:	17
	Pags:	2587:	21

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Order'd that Twenty five Pagodas be paid Wotta Lingua being for three months Town Conicoplys Duty ending Ultimo July last. 25 pd: ye: Town Conicoply.

Generall Letter from the President & Coun[n]: of Surat dated 29th: Jan[ry]: last read. Letter from Surat, read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[s]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Govern[r]: & Councill signd the following order Viz[t]:

The Warehousekeeper is orderd to Lade on board the Bedford for Bengall what Rupees are already Coin'd and may be Chested against her Dispatch. FRIDAY 15TH

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN: MEVERELL.

The President and Councill mett to peruse a Letter to the Chief and Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 13th: Instant, which was this Day Dispatchd Overland.

Arrived Overland from Fort S[t]: David by [order] of the President &c[a]: when there, the two horses given lately by Nabob Doud Cawn. 16

Received Generall Letter from Fort S[t]: David dated the 13th: Instant &c[a]: papers inclosed. 17

ATT A CONSULTATION. WEDNESDAY 20TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATT: EMPSON THOM: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

M[r]: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R[t]. Hon[ble]: Companys cash Thirteen thousand Pagodas on acco[t]: silver sold. Pag[s]: 13000 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper.

M[r]: John Meverell Land Customer read his accounts for the month July last, particulars Viz[t]: Land Custom Acco[ts]: for mo: July read.

Choultry Custom	Pa:	154:	11:	40
Rubie Brokers	„	61:	6:	23
Grass Cutters	„	1:	15:	40
Registering Slaves	„	1:	4:	—
	Pag[s]:	218:	1:	23

And pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Two hundred & Twelve Pagodas on Acco[t]: Land Customs. Pag[s]: 212 paid into Cash on Acco[ts]: Land Custom.

Generall Letter to Bengall of Yesterdays Date, read and approv'd. Letter to Bengall read.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Ps: 1000 order'd the Paym[r]:

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An European entd : a soldier. Necessary Stores] be provided for sloop Expedition.

Order'd that Jacob Henderson be Entert^{d} : a soldier in this Garrison.

The Storekeeper is order'd to provide Store and Necessarys for sloop Expedition according to a List now produced by the Master.

[. . .] Garbell Pepper [℔ sloop] Expedition from W^{t} : Coast [Letter] from Fort S^{t} : David read.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to Dry the Pepper from the West Coast ℔ sloop Expedition damaged by bringing ashore and at the bottom of the Vessell, and to Garbell the whole, in order to send ℔ ship Dutchess for England.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t} : David dated 13th : Instant, read.

[Pags:2] paid into Cash for four [plans] Capt : Hudson recd : at Fort S^{t} : David.

Capt : John Hudson pays into the R^{t} : Honble : Companys Cash Two Pagodas for four Plans hee received of the Storekeeper at Fort S^{t} : David.

Rupees 120 o be given ship edfords men & why.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper give One hundred and twenty Rupees to the Bedford ships Company, in consideration of the President and some of the Councills going on her to Fort S^{t} : David, being no other than what is customary.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

21 Ship Bedford Capt: John Hudson Comand^{r} : saild for Bengall, by whom sent Generall Letter to the President & Councill there of the 19th : Instant &c^{a} : papers as ℔ List [in] the Pacquet.

28 Received overland Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 12th : Instant incloseing one from Madapollam of the 9th : Ditto &c^{a} : papers.

2 By a Country boat Dispatch'd Duplicate of our Generall Letter to the Cheif & Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 13th : Instant.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t} : David dated the 22^{d} : Instant.

MONDAY 25TH. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R} :
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
THOM : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R} : EMPSON : indispos'd

Pag^{s} : 750 paid into cash for [torn] & turn'd out cloth belonging to the J[oint] Stock Merchants.

M^{r} : Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Accounts for the month July last, and pays into the R^{t} : Honble : Comp^{s} : Cash Seven hundred & fifty Pagodas being for Torn and turn'd out cloth and at Outcry of the old Contract for which the Joint Stock Merchants are order'd to have credit.

Letters received read.

Generall Letters from Madapollam dated the 9th : from Metchlepatam dated the 12th : and from Fort S^{t} : David dated the 22^{d} : Instants &c^{a} : papers in each Pacquet, all read.

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Order'd that Pag^{s}: 1033: 23: 3: be paid the President, being for One bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif & Councill of Metchlep^{m}: dated the 12th: Instant, and Pag^{s}: Three hundred & fifty to M^{r}: Edmund Bugden, being for one other bill dated the 9th: Instant, drawn by Dittos. Also Pag^{s}: 118: 10: 3: to M^{r}: Thomas Marshall being for One bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Govr: &c^{a}: Council of Fort S^{t}: David dated the 18th: Instant. [Bills of] Exchange order'd [to] be paid.

Gruaph &c^{a}: Arrac ffarmers pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: cash Seven hundred sixty six Pag^{s}: and twenty four fanams on that Acco^{t}: and M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays six thousand Pagodas by a Bill given by Sunca Rama to Merchants at Fort S^{t}: David, which was accordingly paid into the Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash there. Pag^{s}: 766: 24: paid into Cash on Acco^{t}: of the Arrac farm: & Pag^{s}: 6000 by the Warehousekeeper.

Order'd that John Thomas, Derick Rowlason, Joan de Soza and Elias Rodrigues be Discharg'd from the service of sloop Expedition at their request, and the Paym^{r}: to pay them what wages due to this Day and that Derick Rowlason be Entertain'd in the Gunroom. Four persons dis. harg'd from ye: service of sloop Expedition.

Order'd that the Paymaster Buy five Candy of Copper and put the same into Mint to be coin'd into cash for the W^{t}: Coast. Five Candy of Copper be paid into Cash for the Wt: Coast.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Overland Generall Letter to S^{r}: Gayer [. . .] Generall of India &c^{a}: Councill Surat [. . .] ed the 23^{d}: Instant with severall papers as ℔ List of the Pacquet, incloseing Generall Letter to the Agent &c^{a}: Councill at Persia of d^{o}: Date.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of yesterdays Date, incloseing the President & Councills Licence to Padre Paulo de Saa for the Exerciseing his Priestly ffunction at their churches within our bounds. 27TH

WEDNESDAY [27TH]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL
M^{r}: EMPSON. *indispos'd.*

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster, for Defraying charges Garrison. Pag^{s}: 1000 order'd ye: Paymr: Pag^{s}: 5000 to be sent [by a boat to] Metchlepatam.

Order'd that Five thousand Pagodas be sent to Metchlepatam by Five Peons on a country Boat, Paria Narrain Tandell and Owner.

Generall Letters to Metchlepatam and Madapollam both of this date, read, approved & sign'd. [Letters] sent, read.

Resolved that the Mintmaster Employs of the silver remaining, deliver'd for Rupees, about Five thousand Dollar weight, to be coin'd into ffanams for the West Coast. [About] 5000 Dollar weight [to] be coin'd into fan^{s}: [for the] Wt: Coast.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper Packs up One hundred bales of Brown Long Cloth as it's brought in for that purpose. 100 bales of brown Lo: Cloth [to be ma] de up.

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Pags: 5000 paid into cash for Silver &ca: sold.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehouekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Five thousand Pagodas on account silver Goods sold.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

29 By a Country boat bound for Metchlepatam sent Generall Letter to the Chief & Councill there dated 27th: Instant, incloseing a Letter for Madapollam of ditto Date, with Five thousand Pags: in charge of Five Peons.

31 Ship Salamut Coja Essad Noqueda saild for Pegu.

SEPTEMBER MONDAY 2dmo [1ST]

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THO: MARSHALL
THOMAS WRIGHT — JOHN MEVERELL
MR: EMPSON. *indispo'd*

Paymasters accot: for July, read.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Accot: Disbursements for the month July last, particulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pags	1588 : 19 : —
Charges Diet	„	751 : 25 : —
Bengall Presidency	„	10 : — : —
Charges Generall	„	406 : — : —
Charges Cattle	„	29 : 34 : —
Fort St: David	„	120 : 25 : —
Charges Extraordinary	„	311 : 23 : —
Madapollam	„	1 : 27 : —
Metchlepatam	„	108 : 10 : 40
Factors Provisions	„	8 : — : —
Accot: Present	„	17 : 8 : 40
West Coast	„	6 : 26 : —
Charges Merchandize	„	— : 18 —
Fortifications & Repairs	„	34 : 5 : —
	Pags:	3395 : 5 : —

Pags: 1000 orderd ye: Paymr:

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for Defraying Charges Garrison.

Topass Soldiers Entertain'd [Pereira] discharg'd. Stewards Accots: for July, read.

Order'd that Emanuel Rhebary Pereira European, Bastion Leall, Manuell Caldara, Joan Concenson Topasses be Entertaind soldiers in this Garrison, and Joan Pereira bee Discharg'd therefrom at his request.

Henry Davenport read his stewards Accot: for the month July last.

Pereira entertain'd in ye: Gunroom.

Order'd that Gonsalva Pereira be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Coffree to be bought for Wt: Coast.

There being a lusty Coffree to be sold at Publick Outcry, the Paymaster is order'd to Buy him for the service of the West Coast.

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Mocdum Nina Merchant at Cuddalore having a ship from Quedda with three Elephants fallen in with Polícat, and not be able to gett up to him, hee Landed his Elephants and brought two hither and his ffactors sold 'em, on which there is due to the Company for Land Custom Pag^{s}: 27: 18: but in consideration of the frequent services he has done the Company, and more particularly of late in the Business of Dond Cawn, when he lay near Fort S^{t}: Davids, at which time hee himself was at great Expence, for which reason wee unanimously remitt him the Land Custom of his Elephants and order'd that the Land Customer acts accordingly. The Land Custom on two Elep^{ts}: belonging to Mocdum Nina to be remitted for his good services to Company.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS: ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

By ffrench Cossids, received Generall Letter from Bengall dated the 16th: April last, inclosing copy of another the 7th: ditto, being [what] have been before received. 2^{d}

Ship Bone Viago Mahomud Noqueda saild for Pegu. 5

ATT A CONSULTATION SATURDAY 6TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Warehousekeeper is ordered to Embale Two thousand Peices salampores Midling brown for Europe. 2000 p^{s}: Salampores midling brown to be embaled.

There offering another lusty Coffree to sale for Twenty five Pagodas, the Paymaster is order'd to Buy him for the service of the West Coast. Coffree to be bought for the W^{t}: Coast.

Vincatty Chittee offering at the rate of 16¾ weighty Dollars ℔ Ten Pagodas for Thirteen chests Duckatoons, the Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver him the same. [13 Chests] Duckatoons sold at [rate] of 16¾ Doll^{s}: ℔ 10 Pag^{s}:

Resolved that sloop Expedition be Dispatchd by the 15th: Instant for the West Coast and Notes accordingly affixt to give Notice, that what ffreight Goods offers may be received on board. Expedition to be Dispatch'd [to] W^{t}: Coast & liberty to [. . .] Goods.

Order'd that Thomas Williams Boatswain of sloop Expedition be Discharg'd at his request, and that three months Impress be advanc'd to the Master and men belonging to said sloop and what wages due be paid off. Boatswain of sloop Expedition be discharg'd and [3 months'] Impress to be paid her.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper Lade on board sloop Expedition for the West Coast, 16 bales Long Cloth N^{o}: 5 and four bales salampores N^{o}: 4. Cloth & salampores to be sent to the W^{t}: Coast.

The Mary Sloop (being a large Long Boat built upon with six brass Rantsackers [*sic*]) offering to be sold for Pag^{s}: 262: 20: 3: and they advise from the West Coast their want of such a Vessell, It is resolved that she be bought and sent in company with the Expedition sloop, and that notice be given for liberty of A small sloop to be bought for the W^{t}: Coast, & sent over.

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ffreighting on her. That James ffin[ch] Sherwin Entertain'd Master be allowed Pay from the ℔mo: Instant, he having had charge of her since that time; Thomas Stevens be Entertain'd Mate, with Six Lascars and one Tandell, and that three months Impress be advane'd to them as usuall.

Stores to be provided for ye: Wt: Coast according to a List produced.

Order'd that the severall stores be provided for the West Coast according to a List now drawn out, and sent ℔ sloops Expedition and Mary, and what cannot be got ready to be sent ℔ Advice frigat.

The following is order'd to be affixed at the severall Gates translated in the Portuguez Language Vizt:

Publick declaration of encouragement for such portuguez who are willing to proceed soldiers to ye: Wt: Coast.

Sloops Expedition and Mary Thomas Hounson and James ffinch Sherwin masters, being the 15th: Instant bound for York Fort on the Coast of Sumatra [. . .] declared by Govr: & Councill, that what Portuguez who are willing to proceed [. .] souldiers thither, shall have all manner of accommodation for Transportation of themselves and ffamilies, and for Encouragement of such, that there bee allowed Two Pagodas ℔ mensem upon their arrival.

European Discharg'd the Gunroome at his request.

Order'd that Thomas Stevens be Discharg'd the Gunroom at his request.

Necessarys to be provided for the Hospitall. Estate of Richd: Darly decd: be remitted to England.

The Paymaster is order'd to provide severall necessarys for the use of the Hospitall as ℔ List now deliver'd in, being absolutely wanted.

Order'd that the Court of Admiralty pay into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash, the Estate of Mr: Richard Darley deceas'd, that it may be remitted home to his relations in England.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thomas: Marshall.
John Meverell.

6 Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 3d: Instant.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepm: dated 22d: past, adviseing of Twenty five Oxen Load of fine Goods belonging to the Honble: Company being seiz'd by a Polligar and carried into his own Country and about the like quantity of the new Company's Goods, both amounting to near [20,000].

MONDAY 8TH

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governr:
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Tho: Marshall
John Meverell.

Letters received read. The Accot: of the Comps: Cash for August, read. Storekeepers Accot: for July mo: read & Pags: 400 paid into Cash for stores sold.

Generall Letters from Fort St: David dated the 3d. Instant, and from Metchlepm: dated 22d: August last, both read.

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Hon: Companys Cash for the month of August last, Ballance being Pags: [63, 253].

Mr: Francis Bett Storekeeper read his Accots: for the month July last, and pays into the Rt: H: Comps: Cash Four hundred Pagodas for stores sold.

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Mr: Francis Bett Rentall General pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Five hundred Pagodas on Acct: Quit Rents. Pags: 500 paid into Cash on Acct: Quit rents.

Order'd that Paul Pereira Topaz and Peter Hooluff be Entertain'd soldiers in this Garrison. Soldiers entertain'd.

Whereas by our last Consultation 'twas resolved that the Mary sloop be bought for the use of the West Coast, 'Tis now order'd the storekeeper provides what stores necessary to Equip her out. Stores for sloop Mary to be provided.

Order'd that William Price and David Lee be Discharg'd the Gunroom, they being Entertain'd on board sloop Expedition for the West Coast. Two persons discharg'd the Gunroom.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Sta: Mareia belonging to Coja Phanoose saild for Pegu. 9
Ship Bone Russon Simon Rodrigues Pilot saild for Pegu.
Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort St: David of this date.

ATT A CONSULTATION SATURDAY 13TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMS: WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Agreed that John Salmon, Tho: Elliot and Henry Watson soldiers, proceed upon sloop Expedition for the West Coast, and that three months Pay be advanc'd to them. Three soldiers for ye: Wt: Coast.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Pags: 1000 order'd ys: Paymr: Wm: Lewis soldier for his killing another to be sent to England.

William Lewis a soldier in this Garrison who came out upon the Anna, in which ship he headed a Mutiny, which had like to have proved fatall, kill'd Thomas [. . .] a serjant in this Garrison on the 3d: [. . .] 1700; whereupon hee was committed [to] Prison and has often since Petition'd for his Tryall, or that wee would send him to England or the West-Coast. But wee considering that hee is a factious, Turbulent fellow, and may (if he be acquitted on his Tryall) occasion some trouble by seduceing men to run away or otherwise, wee have resolved that he be sent for England by the Dutchess, and with him the Judge Advocates Examinations of wittnesses against him.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Bombay Merchant John Tyler Comr: arrived from Bombay, by which came Mr: Daniel du Bois Passenger, and the following Generall Letters received Viz$^{t}_{s}$: 15

From Surat ... ... dated 18th: April
From Ditto ... ... „ 10th: May } 1701.
From Bombay ... ... „ 15th: Augt.

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and the severall papers mention'd, only Invoice for a bale salloes and Garden seeds.

Received Overland Generall Letter from the Cheif and Councill at Metchlepatam dated the 5th: Instant, incloseing Copy of another sent ℔ Madrass Pinnace dated 29th: past mo: The former advises that the Goods belonging to our and the new Company (noted in this Diary of the 6th: Inst:) seiz'd by the Polligar, were releas'd upon the cost of about Two hundred Rupees given by the Merchants.

TUESDAY 16TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters sent & recd: read.

Generall Letters to York Fort dated the 12th: and to [P]ryamong the 13th: Instant read & approved. From Surat dated 18th: April, another dated 10th: May and from Bombay dated 15th: August last, from Metchlepatam dated 29th: August and another the 5th: Inst: all read.

Soldiers entertain'd.

Order'd that John Thomas Lourence Godinho and Antonio de Andrade be entertd: soldiers for the West Coast, and Ignatio de Flor and Pasqual de Sousa in this Garrison.

A Doctor entertain'd for [P]ryamong.

There being great want of a Chirurgeon at [P]ryamong, its order'd that Fran[cis] Collier be Entertain'd to go over ℔ sloop Expedition at Five Pagodas ℔ Mensem.

To unload the Compas: Goods on board the Bombay Mercht:

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unload such Goods as are aboard the Bombay Merchant, for the Honble: Comps: Account.

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his Accots: for the month July last, particulars Viz:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported ...	Pa:	931: 18: 63
To Custom on Grain	„	339: 24: —
To Anchorage...	„	79: —: —
To Tonnage	„	22: 8: —
Pags:		1372: 14: 63

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

18 Sloops Expedition Thomas Hounson Mastr: and Mary James ffinch Sherwin Master saild for the West Coast, by whom sent Generall Letter dated 12th: Instant to the Deputy Governr: and Council of York Fort, and One to the Cheif and Councill of [P]ryamong dated the 13th: ditto, &cs: papers as ℔ list of the Pacquet.

24 Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David the 20th: Instant &cs: papers as ℔ List of the Pacquet.

25TH Received Generall Letter from Metchlepm: dated the 13th: Instant &cs: papers as ℔ List of the Pacquet, with a Watch belonging to the Codgee of that place sent to be mended.

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ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY [25TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THO: WRIGHT
MATT: EMPSON — THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Seventeen thousand Pagodas on Acco^{t}: of Silver and Goods sold, and M^{r}: Matthew Empson Sea Customer Two thousand Pag^{s}: on Acco^{t}: Sea Customs.

Pags: 17000 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper and Pags: 2000 by the Sea Customr:

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Pags: 1000 order'd to be paid the Paymr: Letters sent and read: read.

Generall Letter to the President and Councill at Bengall of this date, from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 20th: Instant & from Metchlepatam dated the 13th: Instant, &c^{a}: papers in both Pacquets, all read.

Land Custom accots: for mo: Angust, read &

M^{r}: John Meverell read his Land Custom Acco^{ts}: for the month August last, particulars vizt:

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	... Pag^{s}:	149: 25: 24
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	... ,,	28: 9: 53
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	... ,,	—: 24: —
					Pag^{s}:	178: 22: 77

and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash One hundred seventy One Pagodas on Acco^{t}: Land Customs.

Pags: 171 Paid into Cash on the Accot: Pags: 500 to be paid ye: Washers.

Order'd that Five hundred Pagodas be paid Paulo &c^{a}: Washers for cureing the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cloth.

Gunner entertain'd.

Order'd that Benjamin Hinton be Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Goods of Mr. du Bois's on a Contract with the Comp^{a}: sent from Bombay.

Whereas the Deputy Governour and Councill at Bombay, have consign'd to the President and Councill of this Place and M^{r}: Daniel du Bois, sundry Goods on the Bombay Merchant, being part of what was brought out of England, upon a Contract between the Honble: Company and the said Daniel du Bois, particulars of which appears as p^{r} Invoice.

Said Goods to be kept by ye: Warehousekeeper, till the remainder due on the Contract to the Comp^{a}: be satisfied.

In Persuance of the Generall Presid^{t}: & Councill at Surat their Letter dated the 10th: May last, and copy of the Contract made in England with the Company, It is order'd that the Warehousekeeper receive the Goods into his custody and put 'em in a Warehouse where M^{r}: du Bois may have free Egress & regress for the disposeing of them, and as they are disposed of, the money to be Deposited in the Warehousekeepers hands till the 910£: 3^{s}: 2^{d}: (being what remains due to the Company) be satisfied, unless M^{r}: du Bois gives security for the said sum, that then the Warehousekeeper shall be ordered to deliver the said Goods.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Bombay Merchant John Tyler Commander saild for Bengall, by whom sent Generall Letter to President Beard &c^{a}: Councill of yesterdays date. 26

Dispatch'd Overland Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date.

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28 Received Generall Letter from Metchlep[m]: dated the 17th: Instant, cheifly to inclose a paper and Protest sent our Cheif and Council by M[r]: John Pitt the new Comp[s]: President there, about Lewis de Paz and his servants being in our ffactory at Metchlepatam.

[October] Friday 3rd

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt: President and Governour
Thomas Wright — Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall — John Meverell.

Accot: Cash for Sepr: mo: read. A peice of ground belonging to the Compas: sold for 100 Pags. 1000 paid for Charges Garrison.

The President read his Acco[t]: of the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Cash for the month Sep[r]: last, Ballance being Pag[s]: 79824: 23: 1.

Pasquall de Grass pays into the R[t]: H: C: Cash One hundred Pagodas, being for a Peice of Ground belonging to them sold him, standing in the Black Town, for which a Deed is order'd to be drawn up to be sign'd by us.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Sea Custom Accots: for the mo: August, read.

M[r]: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his Acco[ts]: for the month August last, particulars viz[t]:

To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported ...	... Pag[s]:	910: 26: 33
To Custom on Grain	... „	576: 26:—
To Anchorage	... „	90: —: —
To Salvage	... „	6: 34:—
	Pag[s]:	1583: 14: 33

Paymrs: Accots: for August read.

M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acco[ts]: for the month August last, particulars viz[t]:

Charges Garrison	... Pag[s]:	1448: 7
Charges Cattle	... „	35: 9
Charges Merchandize	... „	2: 28
Charges Diet	... „	229: 16
Fort St: David	... „	4: 18
Charges Extraordinary	... „	5: 23
West Coast	... „	31: 30
Fortifycations & Repairs	... „	49: 30
	Pag[s]:	2252: 12

Gunner entertain'd. Pags: 250 paid into Cash for one years wine Licence.

Order'd that Isaac George be Entertain'd in the Gunroom crew.

Peter des Pominare for Acco[s]: of William Proby pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[s]: Cash Two hundred & fifty Pagodas, being for one year[s] wine Licence ending the 25th: March last.

Letter & other papers from Metchlepatam, read.

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 17th: past, with a Paper & Protest from M[r]: John Pitt the new Comp[s]: President at Metchlepatam to our Cheif & Councill there, all read.

Warehouse Accot: for Augt: read.

M[r]: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Acco[ts]: for the month August last.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom[s]: Marshall.
John Meverell.

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Att a Consultation

Monday 6th

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Six thousand Pagodas for silver & Goods sold, and Four hundred sixty two Pagodas, being for Torn & turn'd out cloth sold at Outcry of the old Contract, for which the Joint Stock Merchants are order'd to have credit.

Pags 6000 paid into Cash by the Warehousekeeper & Pags: 462 for Torn & turn'd out cloth.

The Ministers and Church wardens by their Petition now deliver'd and Enter'd after this Consultation, requesting that a peice of ground belonging to the Honble: Compa: adjoining to the Church house may be sold them, to make said house Tenantable, wch: ground wee are satisfied may be well spared, being of little use, It is order'd that Messrs: Wright & Marshall make a surveigh & report the Value.

The Ministers & Church wardens request to buy [a piece of] Ground.

The Accomptant is order'd to draw out the Accot: of the last half years salary due to the Honble: Comps: Servants ending the 29th: September last.

The Accot: salary to be drawn out.

Order'd that One Chest of Rose Water be sent to Fort St: David by a Country boat bound thi[ther].

Rose water to be sent to Fort St: David.

Order'd that Joseph Horton be Entertain'd in the Gunroom Crew.

Gunner entertain'd.

The Accomptant produceing three Journall parcells relating to Accot: Differences, Sea Customers Accot: and John Stylemans Credit, the same is order'd to be clear'd for the reasons therein given.

Some Accots: in the Genll: books order'd to be clear'd.

Our Joint Stock Merchants having lately had some Differences amongst themselves about their Accots: as is pretended, also that they have had great Losses by their former contracts, some of 'em have refused to be concern'd in a new One, upon which Serapa the Cheif Merchant has been order'd to get other Merchants in their room; and this day brought some of 'em before us for our approbation, some of which were refused and others order'd to be brought in their room, but Serapa told us that the Merchants who had left em, made so great a noise about their Losses, that it deter'd others from comeing in, and there was no way to bring in more Merchants but by first agreeing upon ye: Prices, wch: wee consented to and in order thereto, order'd all the Musters to be brought before us and the Merchts: to attend tomorrow morning.

[Some] of the Joint Stock Merchts: refuseing to carry on a New Contract, others to be encouraged.

Tho: [Pitt].
ffranois [Ellis].
Thoms: [Wright].
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Att a Consultation.

Tuesday 7th

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thoms: Marshall
John Meverell.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to deliver Eleven hundred Rupees to the Champitells Gomasters for defraying some charges at the Mogulls Court, and the

Rups: 1100 to be paid for defraying

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charges at the Mogulls Camp: Persia Liquors &c^{a}: to be bo^{t}: & a Present thereof to be made up for the Nabob.

Paymaster to Buy some Persia Liquors and ffruits at Outcry, out of which it's likewise order'd that a propper Present be made up and sent to Nabob Doud Cawn.

Pag^{s}. 500 advanc'd for the Black Town Wall &c^{a}:

Order'd that Five hundred Pagodas be advanc'd to M^{r}: Thomas Marshall for defraying charges of the Black Town Wall & Works.

The Joint Stock Merchants treated about a new Contract.

The Joint Stock Merchants attending this morning to Treat upon a new Contract and in order thereto view'd the Musters, w^{ch}: in Generall being very good, would have had all new made. They also laid before us the present circumstances of affairs; that cotton was very dear, and great Investments made by all Europeans on this Coast, in so much, that thô the weavers made the cloth never so bad, there was some body to Buy it, which would occasion their not being able to keep up to Muster, and that unless wee advance Twenty five ℔Cent on the last contract, they could not undertake itt, to which the President & Councill answer'd that it was more for the Companys advantage to return 'em their money and offer'd 'em Five ℔ Cent advance upon the Musters of last year, and gave 'em till Tomorrow to consider of itt.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To the Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr:
President & Govr: of Fort S^{t}: George
&c^{a}: and to the Gentlemen of Councill.

This Petition should have been enter'd after Consult^{n}: of the 6th:

The Hum^{ble}: Petition of Ministers and Churchwardens of the Parish of S^{t}: Maries in Fort S^{t}: George.

Sheweth.

That the Church house both in the first building, and in some additions made to it since, hath stood the Church in a considerable sum of money, but is still hardly Tenantable for want of Yard Room for a Kitchin, Godowns and other outhouses, necessary to render it a convenient Dwelling.

And it further sheweth, That there is a peice of Ground of the R^{t}: Honble: Companys, adjoining to the said house, which might serve for the conveniencys aforemention'd, and is of little use to the Company, and stands seperated from all other grounds and Building of theirs by a very high wall with Battlement.

Wee therefore make it our humble request to your Hon^{r}: &c^{a}: that you will be pleased to sell the said peice of ground to the Church, for which wee are willing to pay such a sum of money as the Cheif Builders in the Place (upon a surveigh taken of it) shall judge it to be worth, and wee humbly conceive, that as your disposeing of said ground will be of great advantage to the Church, so it will be no detriment to the Company, and your Petitioners (as in duty bound) shall ever pray.

Dated in Fort S^{t}: George the 3^{d}: October 1701.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — WEDNESDAY [8TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM^{S}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Acco^{ts}: for the month September last. — Warehouse acco^{t}: for Sep$_{r}$: read.

Order'd that four Chests of silver in Ingotts be sold Ramachundra at the rate of 16½ weighty Dollars for Ten Pagodas. — 4 Chests silver sold at 16½ Doll: for Ten Pag^{s}:

The Merchants again this day attended about a new Contract, who insisted still upon 25 ℔ Cent, without which as the Nature of affairs are at present, and the quantity of Goods that wee expect, It is impossible for 'em to comply; Wee now offer'd 'em Six ℔cent, provided, they would expediate the Investment and undertake for Two hundred thousand Pag^{s}: so gave 'em time to consider of itt. — Six ℔ Cent advance upon the last contract, provided the Merchts: wo^{d}: undertake for 200000 Pag^{s}: but they insist on 25.

Wee having great complaints, that the stamp on the Copper Cash was worn out, in so much that they would not pass in the Market which being a great greivance to the Poor, it is unanimously agreed and order'd, that the Paymaster receive them all in, & deliver 'em to the Mintmaster to be new coin'd. — The Stamp upon y^{e}: Copper Cash being worn out, to oe call'd in & new coin'd.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Advice frigat William Redhead Com^{r}: arrived from Bengall late this Night, and after ten a clock, the Captain came ashore with the Pacquet, containing their Gen^{ll}: Letter dated the 4th: & 13th: August last &c^{a}: papers as ℔ List. — 8

Also arrived ship Dutchess Hugh Raymond Comander from Vizagapatam, Madap^{m}: and Metchlepatam with Pacquets from each ffactory, containing their General Letters &c^{a}: papers according to the respective List[s].

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 9TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THO^{S}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter from Bengall dated the 15th: May last received via Vizagapatam, and another dated the 4th: & 12th: August ℔ ship Advice frigat: from Vizagapatam dated 28th: Aug^{t}: last, from Metchlepatam dated 2^{d}: Instant, and from Madapollam dated the 25th: & 27th: September &c^{a}: papers in each Pacquet, read. — Letters received, read.

[9th]

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Full Kentilage of saltpetre to be sent on board ye: Dutchess. The Bengal stores to be unloaden from ye: Advice frigat, her Kentilage of Salt-petre to be continued on board & Redwood to be sent off. The bales from ye: Northern factorys to be continued on ye: Dutches for England [Except] only some few for inspection & washing.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper Traverse from ship Advice frigat on board ye: Dutchess 634 bags of salt-petre poiz cwt. 905: qrs. 2: lb. 24 being with what before ship'd in full of her Kentilage, and that the Wheat, Wax and remainder of the salt-petre be unloaden from the Advice frigat, reserving 290 bags the amount of her Charterparty allowance, and that her proportion of redwood be sent off with all expedition, to expediate her Dispatch to Fort St: David, for the taking in such bales there, formerly order'd to be put on board for the West Coast.

Its likewise order'd, that what bales brought from the Northern ffactorys ℔ ship Dutchess be continued on board for England, except the following for our inspection and washing Viz^{t}:

From Vizagapatam

		bale.
L C O N° .	1. Long Cloth ordinary	1
S A O N° .	1. Salampores ordinary	1
S B B N° .	A. Strip'd Betteelas Brown	18
	B. Ditto	17
	C. Ditto	10
	D. Ditto	9
	T. Ditto	6
P B B N°.	A A. Plain Betteelas brown	1
	A. Ditto	10
	B. Ditto	8

From Metchlepatam

S F. N°.	3. Salampores fine	1
L F.	2. Long Cloth fine	1
D M F.	1. Dimities fine	1
O B.	1. Oringall Betteela's	1
D G.	2. Golcondah Betteelas	1
[R]	2. Romalls Saucerguntys	1
[...]	2. Romalls Bengall	1

From Madapollam

L F C. N°	2. Long Cloth fine	1
G S	1. Gingham Sheets	1
S F A	2. Salampores fine	1
	1. Scarlet	1

Metchlepatam bill for 400 pa: order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Four hundred Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Richard Foquett, being for one Bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif & Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 2^{d}: Instant.

Pag^{s}: 100 paid into Cash by M^{r}: Fraser deposite [and] why.

Wee having acquainted M^{r}: Will: Fraser with a Paragraph of the Honble: Comp^{s}: Letter by this last years shipping relateing to One hundred Pagodas Missing of Fifty thous^{d}: Pagodas sent to Bengall ℔ ship Orange while he was Warehousekeeper which they order to recover with Interest on the same, whereupon he has deliver'd a Paper enter'd after this Consultation, and pays as a Deposite One hundred Pagodas till the Comp^{s}: further pleasure be known therein.

Thos Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom^{s}: Marshall.
John Meverell.

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THE HONBLE: THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT &
GOVERNOUR OF FORT STR: GEORGE &CA: COUNCILL.

The Rt: Honble: Company in their Generall Letter by the Advice frigat demand of me the payment of Pags: One hundred so long ago found short in Bengall of what ought to be received from the ship Orange with Interest on the same, in case I do not make it evidently plain to Yor: Honr: &ca: where the same ought to fix, concerning which I have long since given a full answer, as may be found enter'd in the begining of Fort St: George copy book of Letters received commencing January 16:[illegible] to which I humbly referr, and with submission I think no man ought to be accountable for any more than what can be proved he received and in my case, there is neither any receipt or proofe that the sum of Pags: Fifty thousand was received by those who brought the same to my chamber to be chested up, wch: was done in the presence of severalls now Living and then imediately ship'd off. But not to [int'rupt] yor: Honr: &cas: affairs of greater importance, I am willing for the present to deliver into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Pags: One hundred [as] a Deposite to remain there, untill the Rt: Honble: Comps: further pleasure in this matter be known. I am with all respect.

Honble: &ca:
Yor: Honrs: &ca: most humble: Servts:

Fort St: George
28th: August 1701. WILLIAM FR[ASER].

Dispatche'd Generall Letter to Fort St: David of this date, pressing 'em to gett ready the Two hundred bales for the Advice frigat, who is to call there in her way to the West Coast. 9TH

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 10TH

Present

THOMAS PITT: PRESIDENT &GOERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Warehousekeeper is orderd forthwith, to Lade ship Dutches, for England, proportioning the fine and course Goods, and send off the West Coast pepper received ℔ sloop Expedition as the Comander calls for it. Dutchess to Lade for England.

Order'd that Peter Cotcheen be Entertain'd a soldier for the West Coast. Topass entertain'd soldier for the West Coast.

Mr: Thomas Marshall pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Pags: 1973: 18: 71: being the Ballance of Mr: Richard Darley deceas'd his Estate in the Admiralty Court, and delivers us such papers belonging to him, which are order'd to be remitted for England, and likewise acquaints us, that there is some part of his Estate in the hands of Mr: Nathl: Eyton at [P]ryamong, but the amount he knows not. Pag 1973: 18: 71 the Amt: of Richd: Darley decd: his Estate pd: into cash from yo: Admy: Court with his papers.

Order'd that Paul Tiffany Soldier be Discharg'd, and have leave to go for England ℔ ship Dutchess, at his request, having serv'd out his covenanted time. [A] soldier discharg'd at his request.

[10TH]

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The Merchts: treated on a new Contract, but could come to no agreement.

Wee had this day the Merchants again before us, but could come to no agreement, they insisting on unreasonable [terms].

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

11 Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 7th: Instant.

SATURDAY 11TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

A Coffree to be bought for the West Coast. Letter from Fort St: David read; & two bills of Exchas: is order'd to be paid. Mr: Daul: du Bois made storekeeper.

There offering a Coffree to be sold for twenty five Pagodas, the Paymaster is orderd to Buy it for the West Coast.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 7th: Instant, read, which adviseing of two bills Exchange drawn on us for Four thousand Pagodas payable to Sunca Rama, the same is order'd to be Paid.

Mr: Daniel du Bois being arrived from Bombay, and the 15th: Paragraph of the Honble: Comps: Letter dated the 20th: November 1699, now read which mentions their having Entertain'd him a senr: merchant. It is therefore ordered that he be appointed storekeeper, to take charge at the end of this month.

A peice of ground sold the Ministers & Churchwardens for 75 pags:

Messrs: Wright and Marshall having view'd the ground and Buildings adjoining to the Colledge, which the Ministers and Church Wardens Petition'd us to be sold 'em, in order to make a house belonging to the Church Tenantable, they report the value seventy five Pagodas, which is agreed to be sold 'em, and the Attorney Generall order'd to draw a conveyance accordingly.

The Merchts: attended a New Contract, but nothing done.

The Merchants appear'd before us according to order, but still insisted upon the same unreasonable terms.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TUESDAY 14TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNS:
THOMAS WRIGHT — THOMS: MARSHALL
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letter to Metchlepatm: read.

Generall Letter to Metchlepatam of this date read and approved.

The Merchts: reduced their former.

The Merchants according to order attended this day, with whom having a long Debate, they reduced their former demands to fifteen ℔ cent, to whom wee

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offer'd eight fine Oringall Betteelas, fine Long Cloth, fine Salampores & Moorees excepted, or six ℔ Cent round, but came to no agreement. demands no 15 ℔ Cent but Cod : come to no agreemt :

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Metchlepm: of yesterdays date. 15
Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 11th: Instant &cs: 16rn papers mention'd.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY [16TH]

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MS: ELLIS. *Indispos'd.*

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 11th: Instant, read. Letter from Fort St : David read.

Order'd that two Candy of Bees Wax be sent to Fort St: David ℔ the Advice frigat Two Candy Wax to be sent to Fort St : David.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to cause Two hundred bags salt-petre to be traversed from the Advice frigat on board ship Dutchess more than her Charter-party proportion, as ℔ the Comanders request enter'd next after this consultation. Two hundred bags Salt-petre more than her Kentilage to be Laden on ye : Dutchess.

The Storekeeper is order'd to sell at Outcry such sword blades received ℔ Advice frigat from England, being fit only for the Moors and altogether improper for the Garrison. Sword blades improper for the Garrison to be sold at Outcry.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Sunca Rama, being for one bill of Exchange drawn by the Depy: Govr: &ce: Councill of Fort St: David dated the 9th: Instant. Fort St : David bil) for 1000 pa : order'd to be paid

The Accomptant delivers in the Accompt of the last half years salary due to the Rt: Honble: Comps: Servants in this place ending the 29th: September last, amounting to Pagx: 1138: 01: 5 which is order'd to be paid. The last half years salary due to the Comps : servants Order'd to be paid.

The Joint Stock Merchants still insisting upon unreasonable terms and the time of year growing late for the making provision for the Bedford, wee sent for all the eminent Merchants in Town to propose to 'em the undertakeing a Contract, who wod: not engage for more than Fifty-thousand Pagodas, and to bring in but a small part of it before the departure of the Bedford, and would come to no price, referring all to what the others should agree for, nor would they undertake the whole Investment. The old Merchts: not offering reasonable terms, others are sent for to treat with.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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To the Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr:
President & Governour &c^a: Council.

Honble: S^r: &c^a:

I request your Honble: &c^a: will be pleased to order aboard Ship Dutchess Two hundred bags of salt-petre more than mention'd in Charterparty for the making her sailworthy.

Fort S^t: George 15th: October 1701. Hugh Raymond.

17 Received Generall Letter from S^r: John Gayer, President Colt & Councill at Surat dated 27th: August last, adviseing that by means of S^r: William Norris the new Comp^s: Ambassador and his Accomplices, Sundry [. . .] are stirred up to accuse them (at the Kings court of Piracie) for which reason their Guards are yet round the ffactory.

Saturday 18th

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Govern^r:
Thomas Wright Thom^s: Marshall
Matthew Empson John Meverell

Letters rec^d: & sent, read.

Generall Letter from S^r: John Gayer, President & Councill at Surat dated 27th: Aug^t: last, read, and Generall Letter to the Dep^y: Govr: of Fort S^t: David of this date, read & approv'd.

The old & new Merch^ts: appear'd about a Contract, but did nothing.

The old and new Merchants were again this day before us, which tended to no other purpose than to spend time.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom^s: Marshall.
John Meverell.

18 Dispatch'd Generall Letter to the Dep^y: Govr: of Fort S^t: David of this date, recommending him to make choice of one other of Councill and proceed with all the vigour imaginable for the procury of about Ten-thousand [pieces] Calicoes offer'd by a private hand on the terms with the Joint Stock Merchants, to be brought in secretly.

19 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 15th: Instant.

Monday 20th

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt President & Governour
Francis Ellis Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson Thom^s: Marshall
John Meverell.

Fort S^t: David Letter receiv'd read.

Generall Letter from ffort S^t: David dated the 15th: Instant, read.

Stores &c^a: to be Laden on y^e: Advice frigat for y^e: W^t: Coast.

Ordered that the Severall stores and necessarys ready, provided for the West Coast be Laden on the Advice frigat, with what Dollars propper are procureable.

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Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer, pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Fifteen hundred Pagodas on that Account and Pags: 711: 20: 4 being for ffreight of the Josia Ketch from Bengall.

Pags: 1500 paid into Cash on Accot: Sea Customs & Pags: 711: 20: 4. as freight of ye: Josiah Ketch.

The Warehousekeeper acquainting us, that Mr: du Bois was often sending for Goods out of the Warehouse, which lay there for a Deposite, till he had satisfied the Contract with the Company in England, which [we] believe he can't comply with till the Goods are sold, and whereas the Company by their Letters have order'd him his station in the Councill or next to it, which intitles him to the Employ of storekeeper, so that he has a considerable amot: committed to his care, which induces us to come to this resolution, that all the Goods brought with him from Bombay be deliver'd to him for disposeall, and the Warehousekeeper is accordingly order'd to deliver them.

The Goods brought out of England in a Contract wth: the Compa: & Mr: Du Bois to be delivd: him for disposeall.

Wee had the old and new Merchants before us in relation to the Contract, but to as little purpose as formerly. The new wod: not make any price, but refer themselves to what was done by the old, who insist upon unreasonable terms, but declin'd much on what they formerly demanded.

The old & new Merchts: wd: not be brought to Contract, but on unreasonable terms.

There also came before us (without any notice or Summons from ye: Presidt:) six of the Chittees who had deserted Serapa &ca: that were in the last contract, and notwithstanding the President had us'd his utmost endeavours himself and importun'd them by others, yet he could not prevail with 'em to be concern'd in another Contract, but now they offer'd to contract themselves at 12 ℔ Cent Advances, the consideration of which is defer'd till Tomorrow.

Six of the old joint stock Merchts: who refuse to Contract wth: Serapa, offer to make an Investment.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
Mr: THOMAS WRIGHT Mr: MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

WEDNESDAY 22ND

Generall Letter to the Deputy Govr: &ca: Councill at York Fort of yesterdays date read & approved.

Letter to York Fort, read.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeepr: &ca appointed delivers in their report of the short weight of five chests Gold received from England ℔ ships Dutchess, Bedford and Phœnix being 7 6 6 which Accot: is orderd to be remitted to the Company.

	oz.	owt.	gr.
	7	6	6

Report in writing of oz. cwt. gr. 7 6 6 short weight in 5 chests Gold from England.

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Pags : 400 advanc'd to ye : Painter. An Investment for 170000 Pags : & upwards with the old Merchts : at 6 ℘ Ct : advance upon ye : former prices.

Order'd that Four hundred Pagodas be further advanc'd to Temanah &c^{a} : Painters for Painting of Fine Moorees.

This day the Merchants attended, when after some debate with Serapa &c^{a} : he agreed with us for the whole Investment (provided wee contracted with no others) at Six ℘ Cent advance round, upon the Prices of the former Contract to the amo^{t} : of one hundred Seventy thousand Pagodas and upward, and the reasons of our agreeing with him are, that the others would not agree for the whole Contract, and whereas if wee should make more than one sett of Merchants, 't would occasion y^{e} : Rise of Goods in the Country and great division and strifs amongst them, the ill consequence whereof would fall wholly on the Honble : Company.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

23 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t} : David with their Letter to the Honble : Comp^{y} : both dated the 18th : Instant.

THURSDAY 23RD

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R} :
FRANCIS ELLIS MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS WRIGHT THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters receiv'd read.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t} : David to us with their Letter to the Honble : Company both dated the 18th : Instant, read.

Propper Guns to fitt two field Carriages for ye : W^{t} : Coast to be bought.

There being two field Carriages made for the West Coast and the Honble : Company having no small Guns fitting, the Paym^{r} : is order'd to Buy and send them ℘ ship Advice frigat.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

FRIDAY 24TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R} :
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Mallay Prisoner to be sent to S^{t} : Hellena.

The Mallay suspected to head a mutinous party at York Fort, who was some years past sent hither, having been kept close Prisoner ever since, and it not being thought convenient to return him again, it is agreed & ordered that he be sent ℘ ship Dutchess to S^{t} : Helena.

Letter to ye : Comp^{a} : read.

Generall Letter to the R^{t} : Honble : Company to be sent ℘ ship Dutchess dated the 18th : Instant read and approved.

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The Joint Stock Merchants having agreed in their last contract upon a NEW Muster of Betteelas of 50 & 40 Coveds, the former at 48 pag^{a}: ℔ Corge and the latter at 41, which in regard to the finess of the cloth and the lengths thereof, wee are satisfied in our judgements, that they could not make itt for near that prices so that what they have brought in, not comeing up to Muster, in favour of the Merchants, and for their encouragement: wee here order the Warehouse-keeper to take in N°. 1 & 2 as sorted, and return the lower number to the Merchants to be Disposed of.

The 50 & 40 Coveds Betteelas to be taken in N° : 1 & 2 thô: short of Muster & why.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The President and Councill met to peruse and sign the following Generall Letters to be sent by the Advice ffrigat Viz^{t}:

To Fort S^{t} : David
To the R^{t} : H : Comp^{a} : } of this date and

To York Fort dated the 21st : Instant

which with Capt: Redheads Dispatch, were all deliver'd him, and in the night she saild to ffort S^{t} : David, from thence proceeds to the West Coast with two hundred bales to be put on board at the former place.

Received Generall Letter from the Cheif and Councill at Metchlepatam dated the 11th: Instant, with the severall papers as ℔ List.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 27TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Order'd that Abraham Taylor be Entertain'd a soldier in this Garrison. Soldier European enterta:

Order'd that Five hundred Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Pag^{s}: 500 order'd ye: Paymr: for Garrison charges.

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 11th: Instant &c^{a}: papers therewth: received, read. Letter from Metchlepm: &c^{a}: read.

M^{r}: John Meverell read his Land Custom Acco^{ts}: for the month September last, particulars Viz^{t}:— Land Custom Acco^{ts}: for ye: mo: Sepr: read and

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	P. 133 : 22 : 60
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	..	„ 60 : 32 : 50
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	„ 1 : 12 : —
				Pag^{s}:	195 : 31 : 30

and pays into the R^{t}: Honble : Comp^{s} : Cash One hundred eightyeight Pagodas on that Account. Pag^{s}: 188 Paid into Cash on that Acco^{t} :

The Paymaster is order'd to Muster ship Dutchess's men and report the same, and the List of the Advice frigats Company, being twenty four persons, deliver'd us Saturday last, but omitted to be sent by her to England, is order'd to be remitted ℔ the Dutchess. Paymr: to muster ship Dutchess men, and the Advice frigats muster roll to be sent for England ℔ ye: Dutchess.

THO : PITT. M : EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THOM^{s} : MARSHALL.
THO : WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

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28TH 31 Ship Pembrook frigat George Weoly Comr: arrived from Madapollam.

The 28th: in the afternoon it blew very hard at NNEt: and continued so all th 29th: and till the 30th: about noon, in squalls of rain and great Gusts, when it coming about to East, brought in a large Sea, and Veering to the S. Et: the Wind Dulled and much rain fell all that night and this day, being mostly calm.

To the Pembrook frigat no Boats could go off till this day, when upon their return, wee were advised that the Comander had been aboard the Kathern in Madapollam road, which arrived there as he was coming away, and enquireing after news, were told, that she belonged to the new Compa: and came from England the latter end of April, that all preperations were makeing for a Warr with ffrance, being then in the Downes of English and Dutch, 125 men of warr, and the Parliament endeavouring to Unite both the East India Companys.

NOVEMBER 1ST Little wind all last night and this day, but abundance of rain, which prevented sending off any Boats with bales on board the Dutchess, as also the three preceeding days.

3d Dispatch'd the Presidents Letter to Nabob Doud Cawn at Arcott, with the Present of Europe and Persia Liquors with some fruits, as order'd in consultation the 7th: past month.

4 Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 28th: Ultimo, with copy of their Consultations from the ♆ mo: January last to the Seventh August, adviseing the Arriveall of the Advice frigat about one League to the So: ward of Cuddalore road.

5 Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 30th: past and another of the 31st: do: adviseing of the late great rains and winds there, which corresponds with the weather wee have had here about that time, and the former mentions the Loss of the Advice frigat near Porto Novo, and the care they had taken to preserve ye: wreck and Compas: Goods from the insolence of the Moors Government.

WEDNESDAY [5TH] ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMas: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters &ca: from Fort St: David read.

Generall Letters [from Fort St: David] dated the 28th: 30th: & 31st: [. . .] all read: the two latter mentions yc: misfortune of the Loss of the Advice frigat between Cuddalore and Porto Novo, in the late hard winds there, whereupon it's agreed the Presidt: immediately write away to the Nabob and Duan for their Perwanna, for clearing the wreck and what Goods saved, and also to Abdull Labby Govr: of Chellumbrum & Porto Novo, requesting his Assistance herein.

The Advice frigat being lost in the Moors Government, Letters are wrote away for a Perwanna to clear ye: same.

Gunners discharg'd & one entertain'd.

Order'd that John Whatly, John Brown, William Starman, Benjamin Charles, Thomas Laston, John West, Dirick Rowlinson, Martin Hovendick & Cornelus Browne be Discharg'd the Gunroom at their request, and William Graverant be entertain'd therein.

The Accot: Cash for October read

The President read his Accot: of the Rt: Honble: Compr: Cash for the month October last, Balance being Pags: 82309: 26.

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Ponnagettee Narso &c^{a}: Tobacco & Beetle ffarmers pays into the R^{t}: H: Comp^{y}: Cash Two thousand Pag^{s}: on that Account. Pag^{s}: 2000 paid into cash on y^{e}: Tobacco & Beetle farm.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Late at night dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort S^{t}: David of this date, incloseing copy of the Advice frigats Invoice for their information of the Companys effects Laden hence for the West Coast and the Presidents Letter to Abdull Labby Govr: of Porto Novo (with its translate) to request his assistance in the preservation of the Wreck & Goods. 5

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 3^{d}: Instant, mentioning that they had saved all the treasure put on board the Advice frigat here for the West Coast, and hoped to do the like with the Stores & Goods. 7

Bales being sent off sufficient to fill the Dutchess for England, and the weather growing very suspicious, the Govern^{r}: & Councill mett to peruse & sign y^{e}: following Letters Viz^{t}: 9

To the Honble: Company dat^{d}: 18th: October ... ...
To Dittos dat^{d}: 3^{d}: & P.S. the 9 Instant ... ... } 1701.
To y^{e}: Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: at S^{t}: Hellena dated the 8 Instant.

which with the severall papers mentiond in the respective Lists, (except y^{e}: Dutchess Invoice, which could not be deliver'd Capt: Raymond, with his Dispatch of this date at two a clock this afternoon, when he imediately took Palankeen and went off about two miles to the N°: ward of the Fort, a boat being there ready, with verball orders to sail if he apprehended bad weather approaching.

About 7 a clock last night the Dutchess Invoice being finished, it was with a small Letter to the Company seald and Directed to them, and the Abstract of y^{e}: Invoice apart, send off by Cattamaran, which return'd ashore about 5 a clock this morning, wee beleive, without attempting to reach the Ship, the Comander by Note to the President dated after nine at night, signifying, that the wind freshening at N°: E^{t}: and Skey looking Greazy, he was then weighing Anchor, so conclude the ship Dutchess saild a small time after for England. 10

Ship Pembrook frigat George Weoly Com^{r}: saild on a trading Voyage for the Coasts of Affreck & India, by whom sent the Inv^{o}: of ship Dutchess and abstract thereof, under two coverts both directed to the Honble: Company, with Orders that if they mett the Dutchess at sea or any other ships bound for England, Holland or Portugal to deliver them.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 10TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM^{s}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The President pays into the R^{t}: H. Comp^{a}: cash One hundred & four Pag^{s}: being for permission of Passage of the following persons for England p^{r} ship Dutchess Viz^{t}: Pag^{s}: 104 paid into Cash for permission of Passengers on ship Dutchess.

John & Ann Trenchfeild	Pa:	52
Comillo Gozadino	„	26
Catherina	„	26
	Pag^{s}:	104

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Pags: 2 paid into Cash on Acco^{t}: Passes for Mo: October.

Charles Bugden Secretary read his Acco^{t}: Fees for Passes for the month October last, and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: Cash Two Pag^{s}: their part.

Pags: 1000 paid out of Cash for Garrison Charges.

Order'd that One thousand Pag^{s}: be paid M^{r}: Tho: Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Pags: 566: 24. paid into Cash on the Arrac ffarm.

Gruapah &c^{a}: Arrac ffarmers pays into the R^{t}: H: Comp^{a}: Cash Pag^{s}: 566: 24: on y^{t}: Acco^{t}.

Letters sent & rec^{d}: read.

Generall Letters to Vizagapatam & Bengall of this date read and approv'd and Letter from Fort S^{t}: David, read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to ffort St: David, of this date advertiseing 'em to gett ready w^{t}: Stores sav'd from the Advice frigat, wee intending a small vessell suddainly, to call there in her way to the West Coast.

TUESDAY 11TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Soldiers entertain'd.

Order'd that Pasquall Ferrada & Antonio de Rozairo be ent^{d}: soldiers in this Garrison.

A large Investment made with the Joint Stock Merchants.

The investm^{t}: agreed for y^{e}: 22^{d}: past wth: Serapa &c^{a}: Jo: Stock Merch^{ts}: was defer'd to be compleated till this day by reason the hurry of business wee were in to Dispatch the Dutchess the Pticulars of which is ent^{d}: after this Consult^{n}: when 'twas agreed that they should be paid Forty thousand Pag^{s}: as part of the Investment and Tashereift as usuall only to Checca Serapa the Cheif Merch^{t}: for the service he had done in procureing great quantitys of Goods for the King William and Dutchesse, and to encourage him to do the like for the Bedford, wee unanimously agreed to give him a Gold Chain and Medall that lay by in the Warehouse to the Value of One hundred & seventeen Pagodas.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Seal.

ARTICLES OF AGREEMENT & CONTRACT made in Fort S^{t}: George this Eleventh day of November 1701 Between Thomas Pitt Esqr: President &c^{a}: Councill for affairs of the R^{t}: Honble: English East India Company and under written Merchants, in behalf of themselves jointly and severally and the rest of the hundred share Merchants Viz^{t}: Checca Serape, Nairo Verona, Checca Shevram, Arreapa,

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Ponnagettee Narso, Eccombrum Moodelly, Annandee, Verdua Mooteapa, Codundah Ram Chitty and Pegu Chinnia.

The said Merchants do contract that they will provide for the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: the following quantitys and sorts of Goods to the amount of One hundred ninety six thousand, Two hundred eighty seven Pagodas & Eighteen fanams, to be sorted by the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: Servants according to the Musters now produc'd & agreed upon, and at the following prices Viz^{t}:

	Covds:		Ps:		Pa.	Fa.			
Long Cloth fine	72	Long 2½ brod:	6000	at	79:	18	℔ Corge	Pag.	[2385 : — : . . .]
Long Cloth Middling	72	2½	3000		43:	16		,,	[6516 : — : . . .]
Long Cloth ordinary	72	2½	20000		36:	1		,,	[36027 : 2 : . . .]
Salampores Midling	32	2½	24000		17:	17		,,	[20966 : — : . . .]
Salampores fine	32	2½	4000		30:	26		,,	[6144 : 16 : —]
Moorees fine	18	2½	6000		38:	5		,,	[114412 : : . . .]
Moorees Ordinary	20	2¼	12000		21:	7		,,	[12718 : 24 : . . .]
Ginghams	40	2¾	1500		68:	32		,,	[5166 : 24 : . . .]
Betteelas	50	2	10900		39:	7		,,	[19597 : 8 : . . .]
Ditto	40	2	6000		39:	7		,,	[11758 : 12 : . . .]
Beteelas Oringall	32	2	9000		74:	7		,,	[33387 : : . . .]
Betteelas Podavetz	32	2	3000		33:	13		,,	[5004 : : . . .]
Succatoms fine	40	2	1000		74:	7		,,	[3009 : : . . .]
			Peices 105500					Pags	: 196287 : 18 : . . .]

All which Goods are to be deliver'd, sorted and Embaled in Fort S^{t}: George on or before the tenth day of February Anno 170⅞ and the Merchants in case of failure, are to forfeit Twenty five ℔ Cent excepting only the impediments which shall unavoidably arise from Warr or the stops made by the Country Government and the President & Councill in case any such stops shall be made, do promise to use their endeavours for clearing the same. But the risgo and charges is understood to be the Merchants as usuall and for said Goods they are to pay Land Custom 1¼ ℔Cent and Dustore one ℔Cent.

The said President and Councill do Contract and promise to Pay the said Merchants the sum of Forty thousand Pagodas on the sealing hereof, and afterwards upon the delivery of any quantity of Cloth on this Contract, either at the Land Custom-house or measureing Godown, the like value in money then to be advanc'd and paid them (if required) and so continue such payments until the whole contract is finished.

And the said Merchants do further agree to make a Joint Stock of [*Lacuna in the original*] Pagodas, and lay a Moiety of the same at signing this Contract, and the other Moiety in one months time from the date hereof, In witness whereof the aforesaid Merchants have sett their hands [&] the Seal of their Joint Stock, and the [Governor] and Councill have sett their hands and the seal of the R^{t}: Honble: Company unto one other writing of the same Tenor & Date.

Mem: The allowance to be cutt from N°. to N°. of Long Cloth Ordinary Pag^{s}: 1¼ ℔Corge and the rest as ℔ former Contracts.

Seal.

Signed and Sealed in the presence of Cha: Bugden Sec^{ry}:

చక్ర పన్నయ.
వాయర విరవ్పణ.
చక్ర సేవ రాయుడు.
కాయరాజా గుడ్డకారియప్ప.
వరదరుయిప్పా.
పొన్నగంటిసరు.
ఏకాంబరం.
అణ్ణంది.
కోదండరామ శెట్టి.

Checca Serapa.
Nairo Verona.
Checca Sheveram.
[Kama Razoo Gudda Hariappa.]
[Varadamuthiappa.]
[Ponnagunty Narasu.]
[Ekambaram.]
[Annandai.]
[Kothundarama Setti.]

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The Joint Stock Merchants having sign'd the above Contract & being Tashereift, had at their going out the Choultry Gate, the usual complement of Guns fired.

12 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 8th: Instant, with a List of private Goods sav'd from the Advice frigats wreck.

13 Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam adviseing the death of M^{r}: John Foquet our Companys cheif there.

THURSDAY 13TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATHEW EMPSON

The Councill being duly sumon'd.

Bill of Exchange drawn by the Comp^{a}: order'd to be paid.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright presents us a bill dated the 31st: Dec^{r}: 1700 drawn by the Honble: Company for Pag^{s}: 389: 18: payable to M^{r}: Abraham Houblon, and by him indors'd to Ursula O'Neal, w^{ch}: is Order'd to be paid, althô no advice thereof received, being satisfied the signing to be Secretary Blackbornes.

Topaz soldiers entert^{d}:

Order'd that Manuel Fernandes & Manuel Viera Portuguez be Entertain'd sold^{rs}: in this Garrison.

Letters sent & rec^{d}: read.

Generall Letters to Metchlepatam & Madapollam of yesterdays date read and approv'd, also Letter from Fort S^{t}: David of the 8th: Instant read.

The ffort S^{t}: David bills order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Eight thousand Pagodas be paid the following persons, being for three bills of Exchange drawn by the Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of Fort S^{t}: David Viz^{t}:

To M^{r}: John Affleck for	Pa:	2000
To Rackunda Chittee	,,	3000
To Moota Linga Chittee	,,	3000
	Pag^{s}:	8000:

Metchlep^{m}. Letter read: read.

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 29th: October and 3^{d}: Ins^{t}: read.

Metchlep^{m}: bill order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Four thousand Pagodas be paid Kittee Narrain, being for One bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif &c^{a}: Councill at Metchlep^{m}: dated the 28th: Instant.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.

15 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 12th: Instant.

16 Received Generall Letter from ffort S^{t}: David dated the 13th: Instant.

TUESDAY 18TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS THO: WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THO: MARSHALL

Pag^{s}: 57300 paid into Cash by the Mintmaster & Pag^{s}: 6000 by ye: Warehouse-keeper, for silver &c^{a}: sold.

The President as Mintmaster pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Fifty Seven thousand three hundred Pagodas, being on Acco^{t}: Gold received from England coin'd in the Mint, and Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays in Six thousand Pag^{s}: for Silver and Goods sold.

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Paymrs: Accot: for Sepr: mo: read.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Acco^{t}: for the month September last, particulars Viz^{t}:

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1340:	28: —
Charges Cattle	„	38:	30: —
Charges Extraordinary	„	4:	4: —
Charges Diet	„	235:	13: —
Charges Generall	„	391:	2: —
West Coast	„	508:	29: —
ffortification & repairs	„	24:	23: —
	Pags: ...	2543:	21: —

Sea Customers Accot: for Septembr: mo: read, &

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his Acco^{t}: for the month September last particulars Viz^{t}:

To Custom on Goods Import^{d}: & Exported	Pa:	924:	12: 48
To Custom on Grain	„	378:	15: 60
To Anchorage	„	85:	— —
To Acco^{t}: ffreight on y^{e}: Josia Ketch a Bengall ...	„	711:	20: 69
	Pags:	2094:	12: 77

Pags: 1000 paid into Cash on that Accot.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash One thousand Pagodas on that account.

Wheat 30 bags unfitt for use to be sold.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper sells the Thirty bags of Bengall Wheat receiv'd ℔ the Advice frigat, it being not fitt for y^{e}: use of the Garrison.

Topaz soldiers entertain'd.

Order'd that Antonio de Rosairo and Manuel Parera be entertain'd soldiers in this Garrison.

Letters from ffort St: Davd: read.

Two Generall Letters from Fort St: David, one dated the 12th: the other the 13th: Instant, read.

Stewards Accots: for Sepr: and October read.

The stewards Acco^{ts}: for the months of September and October last were read.

To Carry Stores & Advices to the West Coast and if possible to touch at Acheen for advices to y^{e}: returning China ships, a small sloop is bought.

The misfortune of the Advice frigat having disappointed our sending such recruits as necessary for the West Coast, besides wee having advis'd thither by [. . .] former conveyances that wee would send 'em the Advice frigat to fill up wth: Pepper which may induce 'em to keep a quantity by 'em, so as not to imbrace oppertunity that may offer for freighting pepper for this port, the Rt: Honble: Company having not advis'd this year that they intended any ship for the West Coast and further wee having had late advices from the Coast of India of a Pirat of great force being there, which is fear'd may go to Malacca, or lye about the Nicumbar Islands for the China Ships, of which there is One of the Honble: Companys and several others belonging to this port expected in January or February next, so that for the foregoing reasons wee have thought fitt to Buy of Capt: Gostlin a small Vessell the Madrass Pinnace burthen about Twenty five Tons for Two hundred ninety seven Pags: which is order'd imediately to be fitted and supply'd with what stores she wants and forthwith dispatch'd to ffort St: David, there to take in the Treasure and what else she 's able that was sav'd of the wreck & proceed imediately to York Fort, and if possible in her way thither, to fetch Acheen and send a Prow with a Pacquet to Malacca, to precaution the China ships of what danger they are in from the Pirats.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.

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19TH Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars the following Generall Letters with the severall papers therein mention'd, Viz^{t}:

To Metchlepatam dat^{d}: 12th: Instant.
To Madapollam ,, d°. date.
To Vizagapatam ,, 10th: d°.
To Bengall ,, 10th: d°.

20TH The Madrass Pinnace sail'd for ffort S^{t}: David by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill there dated the 18th: Instant, ordering 'em to Dispatch her for the West Coast, after having Loaden the Treasure &c^{a}: sav'd from the Advice frigat: Our Pacquet for York Fort containing Generall Letter of the 18th: Instant &c^{a}: papers was also sent.

27 Received Generall Letter from Madapoll^{m}: dated the 15th Instant &c^{a}: papers inclosed, with two Musters of Long Cloth and Salampores ordinary.

28 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 21st: & 22^{d}: Instant, with the severall papers therein mention'd.

SATUEDAY 29

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
ffRANCIS ELLIS THOM: WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
MESS^{RS}: MARSHALL & MEVERELL at y^{e}: Mount.

Mint Master pays into Cash 21000 Pag^{s}: for Gold coin'd read: from: England & rec^{d}: 3 mo^{s}: Acco^{ts}:

The President as Mintmaster pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: Cash Twenty one thousand Pag^{s}: being on acco^{t}: Gold received from England coin'd in the Mint, and read his Mint Acco^{ts}: for months of July, August & September last, particulars Viz^{t}.

July	To Custom on Gold	...	...	Pa.	144: 13: 40.
Aug^{t}:	To Custom on Gold	...	...	Pa.	104: 3: 60.
	To Custom on Silver	...	...	Rup^{s}:	2,165: 7: —
Sep^{r}:	To Custom on Gold	...	...	Pa.	43: —: —

Warehouse Acco^{t}: for Octob^{r}: read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper read his Acco^{t}: for the month October last.

Refu[s]e Flintware to be sold.

Order'd that what refu[s]e fflint ware unfit for Presents, be sold at Outcry.

Soldiers entertain'd.

Order'd that Francisco Farnanda European & Salvador Midon and Francisco Demonte Topasses be entertain'd soldiers in this Garrison.

Pepper paid for and also a Persian Mare.

Order'd that Pag^{s}: 1147: 32 be paid the President, being for Can^{y}: 62: lb. 24: Pepper at 18½ Pag^{s}: ℔ Candy sent the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{s}: ℔ ship Dutchess and two hundred Pag^{s}: be paid M^{r}: Gulston Addison for a Persian mare formerly bought for Nabob Doud Cawn.

Letters receiv'd & sent read.

Generall Letters from ort S^{t}: David dat^{d}: the 21st: & 22^{d}: Instant, and from Madap^{m}: dated the 15th: ditto, both read. Also Generall Letters to Surat and ffort S^{t}: David both dat^{d}: 27th: Instant, read and approv'd.

Three moths: town conicoplys Duty order'd to be paid.

Orderd that twenty-five Pagodas be paid Wotta Linga, being for three months Town Conicoplys Duty ending the last October 1701.

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Mr: Francis Bett Storekeeper being sick sent up his Accots: for the months August, September and October last by Mr: Wigmore, which were all read and pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Pags: 202: 14: 1, being the Ballance of the Storekeepers Acct: ending the ultimo October last, and Pays on Acct: Quit Rent five hundred Pagodas:

Storekeepers accots. for 3 months read & the Ballance of ye: Storekeepers, Acct: ending October, paid and 500 pags. on Acct: Quit rents.

THO: PITT.
FFRANOIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.

AT A CONSULTATION

DECEMBER TUESDAY 2ND

Present:

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS. THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON. THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Order'd that Fifteen hundred Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Pag. 1500 paid ye: Paymr: Liquors to be sent ye: Nabab.

Order'd that some Liquors be sent Nabob Dow'd Cawn he having desired it.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Accots: for the month October last particulars Vizt:

Paymasters accot: for Octr read.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1277:	7
Charges Cattle	„	38:	15
Charges Extraordinary	„	17:	31
Charges Diet	„	320:	—
Fort St: David	„	5:	26
Acco: Present	„	1:	24
Charges Generall	„	374:	23
West Coast	„	415:	34
ffortifications and Repairs	„	27:	17
	Pag:	2479:	19

Addition to ffort St. David Genll: Letter of yesterdays date and to Metchlepatam of this date, also the Presidents Letter to Nabob Dowd Cawn and Duan for clearing the Advice frigats wreck, all read and approv'd.

Letters sent, read.

Order'd that Thoma Ferara be entertain'd soldier in this Garrison.

Topass soldier entertd.

Kittee Narrain produceing an Acct: Expences at Metchlepm: on his last Expedition thither, Amounting to Pags: 100: 24½, The Ballance being fans: 24½ is order'd to be paid him and fifty Pagodas as a Gratuity, in consideration of his good services to the northward & dureing the time Dowd Cawn was here last.

The Ballc: of Kittee Narrains Acct: paid, and a Gratuity of 50 pags: for his good services.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 28th: past &ca: papers as ℔ List of the pacquet.

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars ye: two following Generall Letters with the severall papers mention'd to be inclos'd Vizt: 3

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6 To Surat ... ... dated 27th: past &
4 To ffort St: David ... ... 27 d°: & ℔mo: Inst:

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Metchlep^m: dated the 2^d: Instant.

Received Generall Letter from Anjengo dated the 13th: November 1701 &c^a: papers inclos'd, amongst which was copy of three clauses Surat Generall Letter to Bombay dated 23^d: September last, advertizeing 'em to be upon their Guard, it being thought the Moors hath design on that Island, for the Loss of some ships lately robd by Pirats belonging to Surat.

9 Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 3^d: Instant.

ATT A CONSULTATION

WEDNESDAY 10TH

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERN^R:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters received read.

Generall Letters from Fort S^t: David dat^d: the 28th: past and 3^d: Inst: &c^a: papers read.

Four bills of Exch^a: from Fort St: David order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Pagodas Eleven thousand six hundred be paid, being for four bills of Exch^a: drawn by the Deputy Govern^r: &c^a: Councill of Fort S^t: David advis'd in the above two Letters Viz^t:

To John Affleck for	Pag	2500
To Sunca Rama	„	1100
To Arna Chellum	„	4000
To Moota Linga Chittee	„	4000
	Pag^s:	11600

Anjengo Genll. Letter &c^a: read.

Generall Letter from Anjengo dated the 13th: past read, with the severall copy clauses Surat Generall Letters to Bombay intimateing the siddies design upon the Island.

The Accot: Cash & Secretarys Accot: Fees for Passes for Novr: M°: read Pag^s: 8000 paid into Cash for Silver & Goods sold pa. fa. and 314: 35: ca. 2: for Calicoes sold belonging to y^e: Merchants.

The Presidents Acco^t: of the R^t: H: Comp^a: Cash for last month read, Ballance being Pag^s: 114817: 26: 5 and Charles Bugden Sec^y: read his Acco^t: Fees for Passes for last mo^th: and pays into the R^t: Honble: Comp^e: Cash Pag^s: 2: 24 their part.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^t: Honble: Companys Cash, Eight thousand Pagodas on Acco^t: Silver and Goods sold and Pag^s: 314: 35: 2 for Turn'd out and Torn cloth sold at Outcry, for w^ch: the Joint Stock Merchants are order'd to have credit.

The Washers to pay for Cloth burnt & lost by them.

Whereas the Washers hath burnt twelve peices Vizagapatam Betteelas, the same is order'd to be Sold, and the Loss thereon charg'd to their Accounts, also a peice they have lost.

The Jo: Stock Merchts: accot^s: for Novr, mo. adjusted.

The Joint Stock Merchants appears before us, and declares their Acco^ts: are adjusted for last month on the present contract.

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Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeepr: read his Accots: for the month Novembr: last

Warehouse accots: for Novrs read. No Goods to be sold by the Warehousekeeper but for Madrass Pags: & why.

Whereas at this time here's a great scarcity of Madrass Pagodas, and our Merchants declareing that no others are of use to 'em in the Country for the carrying on the Comps: Investments. As also for what Goods that have of late been bought out of the Comps: Godowns, there has been no Pagodas of this place recd: in Payment thereof, so that what received are in a manner useless, wherefore to prevent the inconveniencies that must needs attend the Compy: affairs by receiving any others than Madrass, Tevenapatam & Allumgeer Pagodas, wee think fitt and do hereby order, that the Warehousekeeper sells no Goods out of the Companys Godown, but such as shall be paid for in Madrass Pagodas. And 'tis further agreed, that the President Examines the Companys Cash, and that what Tevenapatam Pagodas or any others that are equall in Matt & weight to Madrass Pagodas, that he puts 'em in the Mint to be coin'd into Pagodas of this place.

Tevenapatam Pags: & others equal in Matt & weight to be melted down & coin'd Madrass Pags:

The Joint Stock Merchants urging this day very much their want of money for that what they had before received, was very near all advanc'd to the Weavers to engage 'em in their Service, so that unless wee supply'd 'em with considerable sums this month and next, 'twould be impossible for 'em to provide so great a quantity of Cloth, as wee shall need for the Loading of the Bedford, wherefore 'tis Unanimously Agreed that the President pays Thirty thousand Pagodas in further part of their Contract dated 11th: Novr: last.

Pags: 3000 order'd to be pd: the Joint Stock Merchts:

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M. EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Rubie Zachary Stilgo Master arrived from Batavia and Acheen. 11

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to ffort St: David of yesterdays date. 12

Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 24th: November last &ca: papers.

Mr: Berry Purser of the Advice frigat arriv'd Overland from ffort St: David, by whom rec'd Generall Letter from the Depy: Governr: &ca: Council dated 10th: Instant. 13

Last night Mr: ffrancis Bett Died, and was this night buried, and Mr: Wigmore being left his Trustee, was order'd to take care of the Rentall Generall & Scavengers Employs to the end of this month. 15

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Anjengo dated the 15th: Instant. 17

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars the following Generall Letters with all papers as ℔ List of the Pacquets Viz: 18

To ffort St: David	... ...	dat. 15th: Instant.
Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam, Bengall	... ...	datd: 17 do.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepm: dated the 6: Instant &ca: papers as ℔ List. 20

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 5th: & 17th: Instant, and the other papers inclosed as ℔ List. 21

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WEDNESDAY 24TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Letters received & sent read.

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the 6th: from Madapollam dated the 2d: and from ffort St: David dated the 15th: & 17th: Instant read, also to Metchlepatam & ffort St: David of this date, both read and approved.

Metchlepatam & ffort St: David bills drawn hither to be paid.

Order'd that One hundred fifty-five Pags: be paid the President, being for One bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif &c: Councill at Metchlepatam dated the 8th: Instant and Five thousand Pagodas be paid Sola Chittee, being for One bill of Exchange drawn by the Depy: Governr: &c: Councill of Fort St: David dated the 16th: Instant.

Persons entd: in ye: Gunroom.

Order'd that Andrew Holland & Robt: Carey be entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Money paid into Cash on severall Accots.

The President as Mintmaster pays into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Fourteen thousand seven hundred Pagodas on Accot: Gold received from England coin'd in the Mint here; and Gruapa &c: [Arrac] ffarmers Two hundred eighty-three Pags: & twelve fanams on that account; and Ponnagettee Narso &c: Tobacco & Beetle ffarmers pays One thousand Pagodas on that account.

Pags: 1500 to be pd: ye: Paymr.

Order'd that Fifteen hundred Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Re-examination of Mr: Sowdons West Coast accots: to be made.

Mr: James Sowdon having deliver'd in a paper, setting forth the reasons why he is wrong charg'd Four Hundred sixty Dollars in his acco: stated by Messrs: ffleetwood and Butterfeild at the West Coast, which paper is deliver'd Messrs: Ellis and Marshall for their Examination and they order'd to report the same.

Accos: Cloth sold at Outcry belonging to ye: Joint stock Merchts: adjusted.

The Warehousekeeper delivers in an acco: Currant of Torn and turn'd out Cloth sold at Outcry belonging to the Joint Stock Merchants, the Ballance standing out uncollected being Pags: 316: 3: 30 which acco: having been deliver'd to Serapa &c: for their examination, do now report it to be right and approves the same, the said Ballance being for Cloth bought by themselves.

Stewards accots: for Novr: read.

The Steward read his Accots: for the moth: November last.

Land Custom Accots: for Ocotbr: & Novr: read.

Mr: John Meverell read his Land Custom accts: for the month October and November last, particulars Viz:

October.	Choultry Custom	Pags:	105: 34: 44
	Rubie Brokers	„	21: 3: 4
	Registring Slaves	„	1: 12: —
		Pags:	128: 13: 48
November.	Choultry Custom	Pags:	65: 2: 60
	Rubie Brokers	„	23: 21: 57
	Registring Slaves	„	: — 8: —
		Pags:	88: 32: 37

Watchman for this place settled.

Angerapa Naigue our Watchman dying the 29th: October last, there has been great application by Letters from severall Poligars to us in the behalf of Timapa Naigue, who contended severall years for the place with ye: deceas'd watchman, but finding upon enquiry, 'twas not his right, besides having murdered some Inhabitants of this place, he was rejected, and Whereas the late deceas'd watchman has left a son an Infant, who upon enquiry of the most knowing

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Inhabitants of this place say, that the Infant has the right of succession, so that to prevent any more application to us, and fearing that Timapa Naigue may procure the Nabobs Perwanna, which may occasion disputes between the Government and us, wee have thought fitt to grant our Cowle to the Infant, dureing whose Minority his Uncle Tegapa Naigue is to officiate and to be Cheif Watchman of this place, and accordingly 'tis agreed that the Infant be Tasherift with the usuall cerimony and a Cowle drawn out as enter'd next after this Consultation. [24TH]

The Rentall Generall and Scavenger Employs being vacant by the late death of M^{r} : Francis Bett, wee have agreed to confer the same on M^{r} : Charles Bugden in consideration he has been Secretary some time, that being an Employ of considerable fatigue and little or noe Perquisites belonging to it. The Rentall Genll: and Scavengers Employs settled.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

A COWLE GIVEN BY THE HON^{BLE} : THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R} :

PRESIDENT AND GOV^{r} : OF FORT S^{t}. GEORGE &C^{A} : COUNCILL TO KOONUGOREE PEDDE NAIGUE SON TO KOONUGOREE ANGERAPA NAIGUE LATELY DECEASED.

Whereas your ffather being lately Deceas'd, who was Watchman of this Town and You (as wee are inform'd) being his son, to whom the right of that office Depends, but in consideration of your Infancy, (dureing which), wee constitute & appoint your Uncle Tegapa Naigue to officiate for you as Watchman of this city of Madrass and the liberties thereof on the following terms, and to be accountable to you for which Duties he shall collect dureing your Minority which shall terminate at the pleasure of the Governour and Councill.

That whereas formerly you kept but fifty Peons, now you must keep One hundred good peons to watch this city and y^{e} : liberties thereof, for prevention of robberies and other disorders, and for their maintenance, wee allow you the following Duties.

That you shall have 18 Paddy feilds given you rent free.

That out of every stack of Paddy, you shall have One bundle in the Ear and One Tombe of Grain.

That out of what Grain soever grows within the bounds of the Town, you shall be allowed six measures out of every Collome.

That the ffishermen shall pay you 325 fanams ℔ annum.

That those that buy fish and carry out of Town, shall pay out of every fanams worth 4 cash.

That out of every Draught of fish, you shall be allowed Ten fish.

That for fishing in the river, shall be allowed you ten fanams ℔ annum.

That for what Goods is brought in the Choultry, the Company receives 1 fan, 36 Cash out of every Pagoda for Custom, shall be allowed you 16 Cash ℔ Pagoda.

That for what Paddy and Rice shall be brought into the Town on Oxen, out of every great bag shall be allowed you ¾ of a small measure, and out of every small bag ½ small measure.

That out of every small bag of Rice or Paddy that shall be brought by any Cooley into the Town, shall be allowed 1/6 part of small measure.

The all Oylemen shall allow you every time they fill their Mill 1/6 part of a small measure of Oyle.

That out of every 20000 Beetle Nuts, you shall be allowed thirty.

That out of every Maund of Pepper, you shall be allowed [. . .] Cash.

That out of every shop that sells beetle, shall be allowed you one beetle Nutt, three Leaves One bunch Tobacco.

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That every Vessell that arrives, shall allow you five fanams.

That every Boat Laden with firewood, shall allow you two fanams.

Accepted. But if the Goods brought in by ye: Europe Christians or Armenians.

That you shall be allowed for one Pagoda Custom of all sorts of Goods brought into Town and carried out 6 Cash, the Companys Goods and all European Christians & ye: Armenians shall be sold to any others who ought to pay the Pedde Naigue Duty and be by them carried out of Town, you shall receive six Cash for every Pagoda.

But for what Rice, Paddy &ca: shall be deld: by us to any Merchant, You are not to receive any Custom for that.

That all the Inhabitants of ye: Town excepting Christians and the old servants belonging to the Company, shall pay you ℔ annum three fanams for every great house; Two fanams for a smaller and one fanam for the smallest of all.

The Hundred Peons aformentioned, shall be employed for the security and peace of this City as the Governour or the Governr: & Council shall think fitting. If the Govr: shall go abroad, you shall procure 100 Peons to accompany him. Also, if occasion require you shall provide 200 Peons to go upon such Employment as wee shall send them, and you are to allow them four days Batty, but in case we shall employ them longer than four days, we are to give them Batty.

If any Goods belonging to the Rt: H: Comps: shall be stolen from the Washers, or if any Inhabitants house or Godown, of whom you receive your Duties shall be robb'd, then you shall make satisfaction for what is [lost] or produce the person or persons that committed the robbery and if any person deliver'd by us into your custody shall make his escape, that you shall pay the Debt.

Timapa Naigue having murdered severall of our Inhabitants, has forfeited his right to those allowances formerly [given] him by your Grand-father, but you are to give the same allowances to his son; that your Grand-father gave to Timapa.

And as an acknowledgement that you hold your place from and under the Rt: Honble: Company, you shall bring us in every year, Twelve head of Dear in their season and twelve wild hogs in their season.

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Dr: Bulkley, the Paymaster is order'd to [pay] off what in arrears from the date of [said . . .] and continue the Payment of Thirty [Pagodas] yearly.

[. . . Merchts:] accots: [for . . . mber] adjusted 3000 [pa order'd] to be paid them.

The Joint Stock Merchants report [that] their accots: for the preceeding month are [adjusted] on the present Contract, and they insisting a further supply of Thirty thousand Pagodas alledgeing that without it, they cannot [. . .] in the Goods expected for the Bedford, It is therefore ordered that the same be paid them.

Quit rent & scavengers accots: [for] ye: end of Decr: last read & [the] Ballance of those accots: paid into Cash.

Mr: Thomas Wigmore Trustee for Mr: Francis Bett deceas'd, read his acct: of the Quit rents and scavengers Duty ending the ultimo December 1701 and pays into the Rs. H: Com[ps:] cash Eight hundred ninety six Pagodas, Thirty one fanams & Twenty Cash, Vizt: Pags: 797. 34 . . . on acct: Quit rents and Pags: 98: 33: 20 on the scavengers duty, being the Ballance of the accounts.

The Comps: servants allow'd 50 fans: each (to such who keeps horses) ℔ mensem [to] be for ye: service of ye: Garrison.

Wee being jealous from the reports of Country, as well as cautions given us from Surat, that the Government design Us troubles, and being apprehensive the worst they can do, is to stop trade and provisions [. . .] Land and commit Devastations upon [. . .] Towns, which lye a small distance from [. . .] and considering wee are not able to Protect 'em by detaching foot forces on all occasions for that by the extremity the heat, they [. . .] uncapable of marching and doing service afterwards, experience of which hath all cost many mens Lives, wherefore wee have resolved to give encouragement as formerly to all the Companys Servants to [. . .] and allow them Fifty fanams ℔ mensem towards the charge thereof, to commence from the 1mo: February next, in consideration of which all such Horses and their accutrimts: shall be for the service of the Garrison, and to be sent upon any expedition as the Governr: or the Govr: and Councill shall think fitt, but if such horses shall be kild or spoild in the service of the Garrison, they are to be Paid for by the Honble: Company, and to be valued by the Govr: and Council, or such indifferent persons as they shall appoint to do the same.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 7th: Instant. 12th

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[Tues]day 13

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt, President and Governour
Francis Ellis Thomas Wright
Thomas Marshall
John Meverell

Mr: Empson *indispos'd.*

[. . .] 1000 paid for charges [garrison] & 1000 pags : for ye : [Black] Town wall &ca :

Order'd that one thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison, and One thousand Pagodas for carrying on the Black Town wall and new works.

Letter from St : David, read.

Generall Letter from Fort St : David dated the 7th : Instant read.

[Two] bills of Exchg : from St : David order'd to be paid. [Pags :] 283 : 12 paid into Cash by the arrac farmers.

Order'd that Three hundred fifty Pagodas be paid Mr: William Fraser, and one hundred & ten Pagodas be paid Mr: Edward Keling, being [for] two Bills of Exchange drawn by the Dep. Govr: &ca: Councill of Fort St: David, both dated the [7th : Inst :].

Gruapa &ca : arrack farmers pays into the Rt : Honble: Companys cash Two hundred eighty three Pagodas and Twelve fanams on that Account.

The Comps : acct : Cash for Decembr : read.

The President read his Acct : of the Rt : H : [C :] cash for the month December last, Ballance being Pags : 89163 : 26 : 1.

[. . .] Souldr : & Entd : [. .]

Ordered that Diego de Sozao Joan de [M . .] and Manuel de Rosairo Topasses be entertained soldiers in this Garrison, and that Jno: [Pygro] be Entertaind chief Cook at the usuall [Pay].

Tho : Pitt. M : Empson.
ffrancis Ellis. Thoms: Marshall.
Tho : Wright. John Meverell.

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Ship Humphry & Charles, Robert Vickers Ma[ster] saild for Vizagapatam, and

Ship Rubie Zachariah Stilgo Master saild for the Moldevas.

Received Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated the 13th: Instant.

Monday 19

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt, President and Governour
Francis Ellis Thomas Wright
John Meverell Thomas Marshall.

Mr: Empson *indispos'd.*

[Mint] accots: for 3 mos: read.

The President Mintmaster read his accots: for the months of October, November, and December last, particulars Vizt:

Octobr : To Custom on Gold	...	...	Pa :	17 : 22 : 40
Novembr : To Ditto	...	...	„	17 : 13 : —
Decembr : To Ditto	...	...	„	28 : 27 : —

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and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash Pags: 2550: 17: 61 being the Ballance of the Mint accots: to the end of December last, which was omitted to be Entered last month. [Pags] 2550: 17: 61 paid into Cash accots

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster, read his accots: for the Month November last, particulars Viz[t]: [ms:] accots: for Novr: read.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1,173: 24
Charges Cattle	,,	39: 5
West Coast	,,	180: 26
Diet	,,	538: 1
Charges Generall	,,	398: 10
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Orderd that William Legravent be Discharg'd the Gunroom at his request. [...] from ye: Gunroom Discharg'd.

Generall Letter from ffort St: David dated the 13th: Instant, read. [Letter] from ffort St.: David read.

Orderd that Botchu Chittee and Sola Chittee be paid [. . .] thousand Pagodas each, being for two bills of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Governr: &ca: Councill of Fort St: David both dated the 13th: Instant. [...] ffort St: David bills orderd to be discharg'd.

The Ministers and Church Warders pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: cash seventy [five] Pagodas, being for a Peice of Ground sold as ℔ Consultation the 11th: October last. Pags: 75 paid into cash for a ps: of Ground sold the Ministers, &ca:

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be advanc'd to Paulo, &ca: Washers for cureing the Rt: Honble: Comps: cloth. Pags; 1000, advanc'd to ye: Washers.

There seeming to be a demand for Rupees at this time, 'Tis order'd that the Warehousekeeper sells what are of the Rt: Honble: Comps: at Three hundred forty two ℔ One hundred Pagodas, and not under that price. To sell rupees 342 ℔ 100 Pags:

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 8th: Instant &ca: papers inclosed. 21

Ship [Gos] freight belonging to the seperate [. . .] Edwd: Harrison Comr: arrived from Emoy in China.

Ship Sarum Richard Phrip Comander arrd: from the West Coast, by whom received Genll: Letter from the Deputy Governr: &c: Councill of York Fort dated the 8th: November last, &ca: papers as ℔ List of the Pacquet, also Genll: Letter from Tryamong dated the 13th: ditto. 22nd

Received by private Pattamars Genll: Letters from Surat dated the 29th: September last adviseing their being yet under confinement. 23

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SATURDAY 24TH :

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
JOHN MEVERELL THOMS : MARSHALL
MR : EMPSON *Indispos'd.*

[Pags :] 1000 order'd ye : paymr :

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster, for defraying charges Garrison.

[Pags :] 1000 paid into Cash

Mr : Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt : Honble : Comps : cash One thousand Pagodas for silver and goods sold.

[West]Coast papers recd : read.

Generall Letter from York Fort dated ye : 8th : November last, and from Tryamong dated the 13th : ditto &c^{a} : papers received therewith, all read.

West Coast bills order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Three thousand eight hundred forty seven Pags : and two fanams be paid for the following bills drawn by the Governr : &c^{a} : Councill of York Fort and Cheif Councill of Tryamong as by their Letter advices Viz^{t} :

FROM YORK FORT.

One bill payable to Messrs : John Meverell & Francis Bett for Rylls :	372^{2} : 3 : 1	Pa : 2193 :	[...]
One bill payable to Ditto „	200 : — :	„ 117 :	[8]
One bill to Richard Phrip „	666 : 2 :	„ 392 :	[2]
One bill to Tho : Wright „	44 : 2 :	„ 26 :	[9]
Rylls :	4640 :	Pa : 2729 :	[1]

FROM TRYAMONG.

One bill payable to Ri : Phrip	1900 : — : —	1117 : [23]
Rylls :	6540 :	3847 : [2]

Letters received read :

Generall Letters from Metchlepatam dated the 8th : Instant, and from Surat dated the 29th : September last &c^{a} : papers, all read.

Petition to ye : King of England & Letter to the Company, read [being] a representation of [Losses] sustaind by the Inhabitants.

This place having suffer'd much by ships unjustly seiz'd by the Arabs of Muscat & Bassa at Judda, which has occasiond great clamours amongst the Inhabitants of all sorts in this place, cheifly through Dispair of any assistance from the Government for procureing satisfaction for the same; The Governr : & Councill to pacifie 'em for the present, proposed the sending a Petition to the King of England and a Letter to the Company setting forth their agreivances and great Losses thereby, which Petition and Letter was read and agreed on as enter'd after this Consultation.

[Ship] Sarum hired to fetch Fort St : David bales &c^{a} : [Pags :] 6000 ordered to be sent [on her] thither.

Ship Bedford being not yet arrived from Bengall &c^{a} : and considering 'twill be too [late] in the year for her to go to ffort St : David to take in those Bales, which would endainger her Passage for England, tis agreed that wee hire the ship Sarum to fetch those bales hither and to Pay ffreight for 'em according to custom the Company having no ship or Vessell for that or any other occasion, and tis agreed that the President pay the Warehousekeeper six thousand Pagodas to send to Fort St : David [on] the Rt : Honble : Companys account.

[Abuses] on ye : coin, orders [neces] sary for discovery.

There being lately discovered the wicked Practices of some, who clip and rub Pagodas, Tis agreed, that the following Paper be published by beat of Drum, and the same be fixt in all Languages at the severall Gates of ye : City vizt :

Whereas wee are credibly inform'd that some ill-designing people, have adventured and presum'd to abuse the coin of this place by Clipping or rubbing of Pagodas and more especially Allumgeer Pagodas which tends to the ruin of all

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Trade and Commerce, for prevention whereof and [to] punish severely those who have or shall so offend, wee hereby declare, that whosoever shall make discovery or apprehend such offender or offenders shall forthwith bring ['em] before the Govern^{r}: or Justices of this place, and for his reward, shall be paid One hundred Pag^{s}:

Dated in Fort S^{t}: George this 24th: Jan^{ry}: 170½.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE KINGS MOST EXCELLENT MAJESTIE IN COUNCILL.

The humble Petition of Yo^{r}: Maj^{ties}: most Dutyfull and Loyall Subjects Inhabitants of the City of Madrass on the Coast of Choromandell, in the East Indies.

Humbly Sheweth,

That wee your Majesties Peti[tioners] resideing in this place, having liberty of Trade in these parts from the East India Company Merchants of London trading to the East Indies, did in June 1695, equ[ipped] out a ship called the London, burthen about one hundred and twenty tons, Richard Williams Master to Bengall, and thence [. . .] she arrived safe, but in her return, April the 14th: she mett three [Arab] Ships off Muscatt, who took her and carr[ied] her into that Port, and made Prize both of Ship and Cargo Valued at about Five thousand pounds sterling. She had ten Europe men [. .] board of her, three of which made their [Escape] and the others miserably perish'd in Prison who were most part your Majesties subjects and on the 18th: June 1700 did send hence a ship called the Friendship, Burthen One hundred Tuns, William Morrice Master to Surat who from thence went to Persia, and met with two Arab ships in the Gulph, was [. . .] on by them and carried to Muscatt, where they sold the Ship and Cargo, amounting about Eight thousand pound sterling, [besides] Armenian Goods of a great Value, and imprisond after a most Barbarous manner her ships Company, the Master, Mates [and] severall Officers being your Maj^{ties}: subjects.

Wee also in October 1699 sent a ship called the Diamond, Burthen about One hundred Tuns, John Cockroft Master to Bengall, and there to Lade for Judda in [the] Red Seas, who accordingly did, and proceed to the aforesaid Port, but looseing her Passage winter'd at Acheen, so that she did not [arrive] at Judda till March 1701, when they were promised by the Bassa freedome of Trade [and] the protection of the Port, upon which [they] Landed their Goods, and Sold to the Bassa [. . .] as ℔ copys of the [. . .] Supercargoes & Commanders Letters to Messrs: Colt and Pennying more particularly app[. . .] but soon after they were possess'd of the Goods they seiz'd the ship and the remaining part of the Cargo, which they made sale of, so that with what they had before in their hands amounting at least to £ 30,000 sterlings. They also seiz'd the supercargo and Comander, and what other Europe men did not make the escape, and murder'd some of 'em by their barbarous imprisonment, and threaten to sell the persons of those Living, all w^{ch}: was upon pretence, that this was the ship that took an Arabs Ship, off the high[Land] of S^{t}: Johns near Surat the year before, at which time, this ship Diamond was at Moco, and return'd thence into this road, [in] September, whilst your Majesties four men of warr were here, and being inform'd that this place Judda being in some measure under the Government of the Grand Seige wee have represented this great Injustice by Letter to your Majesties Ambassador at Constantinople and your Consull at Grand Cayro.

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These our misfortunes, wee know not what cause to assign for 'em, unless [it] be as is reported thrô this countrey, that some of our Nation have most Industriously endeavour'd to fix all Pyracies committed in [the old] East India Company and their ffactors, and on such as reside in [. . .] settlements, inculcating likewise into [. . .] natives, that let 'em seize what they w[ill of] ours, that wee have no power to make [our]selves restitution, nor will there be any [trouble] come to 'em thereon.

Wee having here most humbly represent[ed] to Your Majestie, the most notorious injustice wee have suffer'd from the Arabs of Masc[at] and Bassa of Judda, all amounting to at [least] Forty three thousand pound sterling, for the restitution of which, wee humbly impl[ore] that your sacred Majestie will be graciously pleased to extend your Royall protection [. . .] in granting us your Letters of reprizall, or in such manner as in your great wisdom shall be thought meet.

And your Petitioners as [in] Duty bound shall ever Pray.

EDWARD BARKHAM.	EDWARD HARRIS.	ARMI : GOSTLIN.	THOMAS PITT.
JAMES SOWDON.	GEORGE TOURVIL[L.]	EDWD : BAWGUS.	FRANCIS ELLIS.
WILLIAM STOW.	PETER GROSSIN.	CHA : ALLEYN.	THO : WRIGHT.
JOSHUA PAGE.	ROBERT RIDLER.	JNO : WESENDONCK.	MATT : EMPSON.
JOHN NICKS.	PETER DES POMMARE.	FRA : BROUGH.	THO : MARSHALL.
JOHN BERLU.	VICESSIMUS GRIFFITH.	THO : PLUMBE.	JNO : MEVERELL.
WILLIAM DEANE.	JNO : RUDGE.	TILEMAN HOULT.	DANE : DU BO[IS.]
[THEO : OGLE]THORPE.	PETER CURGENVEN.	JAMES ALLIX.	CHA : FLEETWOOD.
[JEREM : P]EACHIE.	WILLIAM JENNINGS.	WM : WARRE.	MATT : MEA[D.]
[. . . . .]	JAMES FRASER.		
[. . . . .]	FRANCIS SEATON.	WILL : FRASER.	RICHD : HU[NT.]
[JOHN CORNELISZ]	EDWARD RAWDON.	GEORGE HERON.	WM : GROSVEN[OR]
[. . . . .]			
[VILL : HEVENONGHAM]	EDMUND BUGDEN.	SAML : HEATON.	EDWD : BULKLEY.
	DANIEL CHARDIN.	THO : MATHEWS.	CHARLES BU[GDEN.]
	JOSEPH HILLER,	JOHN COOKE.	THOMS : [HARRIS.]
	SAML : GLOVER.	FRANCIS COOKE.	
	ROB[ERT INGRAM.]	PETER WALLIS.	
	[. . . , . .]		

FORT ST : GEO : 24TH : JANRY : 170½.

TO THE HONBLE : THE GOVR : DEPUTY COMMITTEES FOR AFFAIRS OF RT : HONBLE : ENGLISH EAST INDIA COMPANY ATT THEIR HOUSE IN [LEADEN-HALL] STREET, LONDON.

FORT ST : GEO : 24TH : JANRY : 170½.

SRS.

Wee your President & Councill and all the Inhabitants of this Place, having of late sufferd great Losses, by unjust seizures of severall ships belonging to this port, to the amount of at least Forty three thousand pounds by which wee are not only much empover[ished] but also Discourag'd from Trading in these parts, which tends not only to our particular detriment, but very much to the prejudice of the Rt : Honble : Company and the ruin of this Port, and finding no hopes of redress, unless it be by your means, wee have thought fitt to inclose a Petition for his Majestie, which wee desire may be deliver'd if you think fitt, and procure if possible such forces and Powers as may compell those that have injur'd us [to] make full satisfaction, and prevent their doing the like for the future, without [which] all trading is at an end in India [. . .] servants and freemen that reside [. . .] settlements, who by the custom [. . . .],

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Taxes they Pay, support the charge [. . .] besides wee fear the like misfortunes, are [. . .] great Distance from yourselves, for that the Arabs daily increase in strength & Insolence and by our last Letters from Surat, which was in November past, wee are advis'd that the Arabs have agreed all differences with that Port and have now leave to build and buy what shipping they please, which looks as if that Government had some further end in it, than the bare making a Peace with them, but rather that they resolve to contribute all they can, in making 'em as formidable as possible at sea, that so on all occasions their assistance may be of use to 'em against an Europe enemy.

Wee have too much reason to be jealous that that unhappy misfortune at Judda, may be justly attributed to the infamous and hellish contrivances of some of our own countrymen, who have struck at nothing in endeavouring to fix the Pyracyes upon you and your ffactors abroad, and if that Bassa of Judda does what wee are advis'd of, in selling the Comander & super Cargoe, why may it not be a Precident for the Arabs of Muscatt and the Moors throughout India, to do the same, and then what will become of all your subordinate ffactorys. There are also many more dreadfull consequences to be infer'd from the late insolences of these Nations, and if they be not speedily called to an acco^{t}: and forc't to restitution for what is past, 'twill most certainly end in the utter ruine of your trade in these parts.

Wee have not further to add but [rely] wholly on your favour in procureing [. . .] means for satisfaction, without which [. . .] these losses will be severe upon us, and [the] times are such, that wee dispair of ever [. . .] retreiveing 'em. Wee wish prosperity [to] Yo^{r}: Affairs and are

Honble: S^{rs}:
Yo^{r}: most Obed^{t}: and Hum^{ble}: [Petitioners]

THEO: OGLETHORPE.
GEORGE LEWIS.
RAND^{L}: FOWKE.
BERN^{D}: BENYON.
JOHN CORN^{L} LISZ.
VILL: HEVENONGHAM.
VICESSIMUS GRIFFITH.
CHARLES FLEETWOOD.
WILLIAM JENNINGS.
WILLIAM [GROSVENOR.]
EDW^{D}: RAWDON.
THOMAS HARR[IS.]
EDMUND BUGDEN.
EDW^{D}: BAWGU[S.]
SAM^{L}: GLOVER.
FRANCIS BROUG[H.]
JOSEPH LISTER.
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FRANCIS SEATON.
CHARLES BUGD[EN]
WILL: HOW.
ARMI: GOSTLI[N.]
JOSEPH HILLER.
JN^{O}: WESENDON[CK.]
THO: WIGMORE.
TILEMAN HOU[LT.]
GULSTON ADDISON.
WILLIAM FRA[SER.]
JOHN NICKS.
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FRANCIS COOKE.

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THO: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THO: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.
JN^{O}: RUDGE.
MATTHEW MEA[D.]
JAMES FRASER.
EDWARD BULK[LEY.]
JEREM: PEACHIE.
HENRY DAVEN[PORT.]
DAN^{L}: CHARDIN.
CHARLES ALLEYN.
ROBERT INGRAM.
THOMAS PLUM[BE.]
EDW^{D}: BARKHAM.
WILLIAM WAR[NE.]
JOSHUA PAGE.
SAM^{L}: HEATON.
WILLIAM DEANE.
PETER WALLIS.

Early this morning sett out our Mulla for the Nabobs Camp, (he having 28
wrote the President to send him and Narrain) to remain there as our Vacqueel, who had verball Instructions to answer the compla[int] (if any should be made) against us of what kind soever, it being advis'd by our spies, that the Nabob with his army are near and upon their march to S^{t}: Thoma, but their design not known. Also went in our Mullas company, the Nobobs Gusbad[ar] whom he had sent to us some days past for Liquors, and carried forty bottles of Brandy Destill'd here with all manner of spices.

——FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1701-2——

THURSDAY 29

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M[R]: EMPSON *sick.*

Fort S[t]: David Letter reo[d]: read.

Generall Letter from Fort S[t]: David (received this morning) dated the 24th: Instant, read.

[Bill of] Exch[e]: from Fort S[t]: David order'd to be paid.

Order'd that Three hundred fifty eight Pagodas and two fanams be paid the Presid[t]: being for one bill of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Gov[r]: &c[a]: Councill of Fort S[t]: David dated the 22nd: Instant.

[War]ehouse acco[t]: for Decr: [read] Land custom acco[ts]: for Decr: read.

M[r]: Thomas Wright warehousekeeper read his warehouse acco[ts]: for m[o]: December last, and M[r]: John Meverell read his Land Customs acco[ts]: for the month December last, part[iculars] viz[t]: —

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	...	P[a]: 100: 28: [ ]
Rubie Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	„ 43: 11: [ ]
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	...	„ ..: 16: [ ]
						Pag[s]: 144: 20: [4]

The Nabab & great forces w[th]: him come to S[t]: Thoma. All designs suspected from them. Measures taken for defence of the place.

Nabob Doud Cawn, Duan and Buxie arriveing this night at S[t]: Thoma with considerable forces of horse and foot, and [the] occasion of their comeing being various[ly] reported, and wee being jealous that there are ill designs on foot against this Place to prevent their effecting which, wee re[solved] to make ourselves as formadable as poss[ible] for which end, have taken the following resolutions Viz[t]:

That the Train'd bands of this city be imediately rais'd.

That tomorrow the Portuguez Mali[tia] be rais'd and Posted at y[e]: Out works.

That both our Company soldiers lye [with] their arms night & day dureing [. . .] Encampment so near us.

That Two hundred rashboots be taken into service, to Guard our out [Town] and the Companys cloth at y[e]: way.

That what Lascars not exceeding 60 [or] 70 be entertain'd to assist y[e]: Gun [room].

That tomorrow morning our Bra[miny] Paupa be sent to our Mulla in[the] Nabobs camp, and both of 'em to go with a complement from the President to the Nabob, Duan and Buxie, and carry with 'em a small Present of Rosewater, Acheen oranges and sweetmeats.

Dep. Gov[r]: &c[a]: at York [Fort] their bond for fine [Ben-ja-min] bo[t]: acco[t]: the Compa: and taken up by [P]hrip order'd to be paid.

Cap[t]: Richard Phrip presenting us an original Bond sign'd by the Dep: Gov[r]: &c[a]: Councill of York Fort dated the 18th: Nov[r]: 1700 for Ryalls 1776: 3: 1 which [he at their] request and order took up at Padang of [Captain John] Reanox [. . .] being for fine Banjamin [bought] for acco[t]: the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company of said [Rean]ox, and [y[e]:] Bond running at interest to him and the same remaining to be paid Cap[t]: Phrip, I[t's] therefore agreed and ordered that wee take up said Bond, Cap: Phrip giving us his for the repayment, provided wee receive no advices thereof from the Dep. Gov[r]: & Councill.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMAS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, JANUARY 1701-2*—— [29TH]

About 11 a Clock this night receive'd ad[vice] from our Mulla, that he had waited [on] the Nabob, who seem'd very pleasant, [but] the Duan otherwise, and that the Na[bob] had something to say to him tomorrow.

This day our Mulla and Braminy Paupa waited on the Nabob, Duan and Buxie, as was yesterday order'd, who were very kindly received, from which wee in[fer] (it being the opinion also of many [of the] Natives) that they are working some [ill] designs against us. 30

The Nabob sent his Chubdar as a safe Guard to Egmore &c^{a}: new Towns. 31

Ship Johanna Francisco de Saa Pilot [arrived] from Macow in China. FEBRUARY ☿ Mo

This and the two preceeding days offer'd nothing material to be enter'd in the Diary. 3

Gopah Naigue a considerable man in the Country comeing to make the Govr: a Vissit, 'twas thought fitt with the advice of the Councill to present him wth; five yards of fine scarlet broad cloth, a sword blade and two Looking Glasses, his relations being the persons that procured the King of Golcondahs Phirmaund for the settlement of this Place, and the cheif of his retinue being Tashereif'd with five yards of red Perpetuanoes and the rest rosewater sprinkled with Beetle, they all went away, after passing great encomiums upon the place and justice of the English Government. 4

ATT A CONSULTATION [FEBRUARY] WEDNESDAY 4TH

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R}: EMPSON *sick*.

Order'd that one thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison. [Pags.] 1000 Order'd y^{e}: Paym^{r}.

The Nabob having been severall days at S^{t}: Thoma, and our Mulla attending him, whom he sent for before he arriv'd there, pretending great business of importance, and having not as yet imparted anything, he was order'd yesterday to wait on the Nabob to receive his Comands and know the occasion of his being sent for, who received for answer that he expected some English men to come to him, and that too not without a Present, pretending how much he had been our freind, having never wrote agst: us to Court, nor inform'd the King of our revenues, to whom was due a great[sum] for Arrears thereof; The Mulla return'd this morning to S^{t}: Thoma to carry[an] answer to what the Nabob demanded, 'twas resolv'd, That whereas he had sent for the English, French, Dutch, Dean & Portuguez (from which wee infer [and] are jealous, that he has an order from the King to oblige all Europeans on [this] side the Country to give security for all Pyracies comitted in these seas, as they have forc't 'em to do at Surat) that no English go, besides should any be sent wee could not avoid a Present going with 'em, which would be of ill consequence to the Companys affairs for the future, wee having given him a Present about six months since, which would not only be pleaded hereafter as customary [by] himself, but by all succeeding Nabobs: And as to our revenues, wee order'd our Men to tell him, that they were rais'd only upon our own people and such acquir'd considerable fortunes in our service, and that wee were ready to Demonstrate [not] only that wee daily gave subsistance [to] at least Two hundred thousand people subjects to the Mogull, but that there also arose yearly by the trade of this Place a vast sum to the Kings treasury, and whereas wee imported to a great amount silver and Gold, wee Exported nothing but the Product of the Country and the labour of his people, and that rather than [bee] subject to such frequent Presents, 'twoud be more the Companys advantage that

Nabob has told nothing [to] our Mulla, the severall [days] attended him Mulla order'd to wait on ye: Nabob & receive his comd^{s}: Nabobs answer.

Our Mulla to return to S^{t}: Thoma. Resolutions upon y^{e}: Nabobs demands.

[Message] to be carried to the Nabob.

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the King gave us some years to get in our Effects, and then Demolish our settlemt: and Quit his Country, and this message, the Mulla is order'd to deliver, resolveing to send no English nor Present.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

5 Received Overland Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 29th: past with the Bedfords 2d: bill Lading for 202 bales, amounting to Pags: 45,482: 24 adviseing her being Dispatch'd the 28th: past.

6 Ship Bedford arrived from Bengall and ye: Noern ffactorys, by whom recd: Generall [Letters] from each place, (as ℔ the dates in the following Consulation) wth: the severall papers in the respective Lists.

FRIDAY 6TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MR: EMPSON *sick.*

Letters recd: rsad:

Generall Letters from Bengall dated the 24th: December, from Vizagapatam dated the 16th: January, and from Metchlepatam the 28th: & 29th: ditto &ca: papers receiv'd there read.

Metchlepatam bill order'd to be paid.

Order'd that five hundred Pagodas be paid Messrs: Wright and Addison, being [for] one bill of Exchange drawn by the Chief &ca: Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 28th: past.

Bales & stores to be unloden from ye: Bedford.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to use all the expedition imaginable for unloading the brown Betteelas from Vizagapatam and stores from Bengall on board the Bedford.

Pags: 1000 order'd to be paid ye: Paymr:

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Pags: 138 paid into Cash[by] ye: Land Customer.

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer pays into Rt: H: Comp: Cash One hundred thirty eight Pags: on that account.

Provisions & Goods stop'd by Moors.

This morning early wee had news brought us, that the Nabob had stop'd all Provisions and all Goods comeing in and going out of this Town, and particularly some Cloth of the Companys comeing, which soon after, wee were advis'd he had carried to St: Thoma, before wee could draw out our forces to resquie it; and wee discover'd severall bodys of horse marching at a distance without our bounds, and about noon, our Mulla return'd from St: Thome adviseing us the Nabob had sent for him, and show'd him the Kings order and given him a copy thereof, translate of which is enter'd after this Consultation, so wee immediately rais'd our Train'd bands and Portuguez Malitia of this place, and appointed 'em their particular Posts for the defence thereof.

[Mulla] from St: Thoma [brou]ght ths Kings orders (deliver'd him by ye: Nabob) [for] seizing all Europsans.

THO: PITT
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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TRANSLATE OF THE HOSBULHOCUM FROM THE KING, WITH ASSED CAWNS SEAL, DATED 16TH: NOVR: 1701 IN THE 45 YEAR OF THE KINGS REIGNE.

TO DOUD CAWNE, ALL HEALTH.

The English & other Europeans having enter'd into a Contract to defend our Subjects from Pyracies committed on the Seas, notwithstanding they have Seiz'd and plunder'd Moors [and] therefore I have wrote all Subas & Duan that all manner of Trade be interdicted with those Nations throughout our Dominions, and that you Seize on all the Effects where ever they can be found, and take 'em carefully in your Possession, sending an Inventory thereof to me. and 'tis likewise further order'd, that you confine their persons, but not to close imprisonment. I write you this by the Kings Command, which You are to Obey and know that this is a firm Decree for so doing, an answer to which, with the news that relates hereunto, wee demand with all expedition.

The same contents wrote the Duan.

The Mullas Declaration deliver'd here upon his return from St. Thoma.

This day the Nabob, Duan, Umain Beague and Mahomed Amin Musheriff 6TH sent for me to the Duans house, when the Nabob told me that the great God knows, that he ever had a hearty respect for the English, and did never wish 'em any hurt, saying, here is the Hosbulhocum which the King has sent me, and the same to the Duan to Seize their ffactorys and all their Effects, which as I stile myself the Kings Slave, I must obey him, thô says he, wee dont care to fight 'em, but in case they begin, wee are ready. The Nabob likewise told me, that we had receiv'd of the late wreck (Advice frigat) Seven hundred thousand Pagodas, which appertains to the King, and wee must be answerable for it, or if wee have any Phirmaunds to this purpose, wee should show 'em him, wch is the reason your effects are Seiz'd by the King's Orders, whose Command wee must all obey.

I did see the two Husbulhocums, one to the Nabob and one to the Duan, the one Sealed with wax the other with Ink, to which the Nabob bid me send an answer, The Duan at the same time telling me, that I should not be dejected, for they would be answerable for double what should be lost.

Upon receipt of the Hosbulhocum and the Mullas Declaration the President 6TH [wrote] the Nabob as follows.

TO HIS EXCELLY: DOUD CAWNE.

Since I wrote your Excellr: the morning, just as the Letter was come to You, our Mulla came to me, who shew'd me the copy of an order said to be from the great Assed Cawn, chargeing all Europe [ans] with Pyracie, and that by a Writing they are answerable for the same. Wee have been inform'd, that there was such a Writeing extorted from the English, French and Dutch [at] Surat, which amongst us is of no value being forc't from us, nor will the same be regarded more particularly by us, who have been great sufferers by the Pyrats ourselves, and besides, our King have not been at so little charge as Two hundred thousand Pagodas [to] extirpate those villains.

The Goods you have Seiz'd too[*sic*]day, [we] doubt not but you were Advis'd what value was thereof.

And as to what Yor: Excellr: was pleased to say relateing to the wreck, wee have the Law of God and all nations on our Side, for no Ship isa wreck, whilst her proprietors keep possession, and had you taken the least thing of her, you must have been accountable, as you will be for many other things you have already done.

Your Hosbulhookum says, wee are not to be close confin'd, and yor. Excellr: said to the Mulla that you care not to fight us, but are resolv'd if possible to

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starve us by stopping all Provisions, wee can put no other construction on this, than declareing a Warr with all Europe Nations, and accordingly wee shall act.

THOMAS PITT.

Dated in Fort S^{t}. George 6th February 170½

A Letter was also wrote the Duan, referring him to the above.

SATURDAY 7TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
THO : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
M^{R} : EMPSON. *Sick.*

[Letters]s to ye Subordinate [Factorys] read.

Generall Letters to Fort S^{t}. David, Metchlep^{m}. and Vizagapatam all of this Date, read, approv'd and sign'd the purport being to acquaint 'em of our circumstances and to caution 'em thereof.

Letters from Nabob, Duan and Answers, read.

Letters from the Nabob, Duan and answers, all read, as enter'd after this Consultation.

Moors plundering ye: Out Towns causes many thousands of ye: Inhabitants to leave ye: place.

This day the Nabobs forces plundered our out Towns of some Straw and Paddy drove away the Inhabitants and the poor people that Liv'd in our Suburbs black Town being so intimidated by the approach of the Moors Army and the preparations wee made for our Defence severall thousands deserted Us; and the [ffarmers] of the Tobacco and Beetle complaining [that] they could not collect the Revenues by re[ason] of these troubles, and more particularly Beetle being stop'd, which would in few days occasion great clamours amongst the Inhabitants, so that for the encourage[ment] for all to steal it in, we have order'd that the ffarmers cease from collecting the Revenues till the Troubles are over.

The ffarms of Tobacco and Beetle to cease and any to steal it into Town.

THO : PITT. M : EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. [THOM^{S} : MARSHALL.]
THO : WRIGHT. [JOHN MEVERELL.]

Translate.

FROM DOUD CAWNE NABOB TO Y^{R} GOV^{R} : OF CHINNAPATAM.

I received your Letter and observe the contents thereof, and as to what you write about stopping Provisions and Goods and your Trade, 'tis done by the Kings order, as a means to interdict your Trading. You say that the King of England has spent 2,00,000 Pag^{s}. to Destroy the Pyrats, which was our King made Sensible of, it would Redound to your advantage.

You also wrote something else, but as for me I have no other order from the King than mention'd to you, but if you have any ill designs, I know how to deal with you, but I give you my best advice, because I wish you well.

Translate

FROM DUAN MAHOMED SYDE TO THE GOV^{R} : OF CHINNAPATAM.

I received your kind Letter and observe the Contents thereof, as also of that you wrote the Nabob, which I take particular notice of, whereunto the Nabob has given his necessary answer, which you may observe. What can I write more.

TO NABOB DOUD CAWNE.

I received yor. Excell^{ys}. Letter and observe the contents, and as I take it [in] that paper you call the Kings order, there is nothing about stopping Provisions for that, in all parts of the world is publi[shing] a Warr between nation and nation, thô [we] have sufficient for our people for two years besides the Sea open to us.

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That our King has been at 200,000 [Pag^{s}.] charge to suppress Pyrats, is a thing k[nown] to all Nations, as also to yours, for four men of warr were in this road.

Wee have liv'd in this Country near hundred years, and never had any ill design nor can yor: Excell^{y}: or any one else charge [us] with any, and 'tis very hard that such [unrea]sonable orders should be Issued out against us only, when they relate to all Europeans none excepted as I can perceive, and whether it be for the good of your Kingdome to [issue] such orders in execution, Your Excell^{y}: [is the] best judge.

Wee are upon the Defensive part so shall continue, Remembring the [un] speakable damages you have not only [done] Us in our Estates, but also in our Reputation w^{ch}: is far more valuable to Us and [will be] most resented by the King of our Nation.

Dated in Madarasapatam the [. . .].

To Mahomud Syde Duan.

I received your Hon^{rs}: Letter as also the Nabobs, and observe the contents, and can only say, that wee have hard measure on all acco^{ts}: but whereas wee have justice to the last degree on our Side; wee hope our Arms will prevail, so as to publish our integrity and innocencie to the world.

Dated in Madraspatam this 7th: Feb^{ry}: 170$\frac{1}{2}$. Thomas Pitt.

Dispatch'd Generall Letters to Fort S^{t}: David. Metchlepatam and Vizagapatam all of this date, incloseing translate of the Mogulls Hosulhookum for the seizing of all Europeans, and giving leave to the two latter places to withdraw hither, if they apprehended that order would any ways effect them. 7

About noon wee had news brought us from our Out Guards, that a party of horse were drawing down towards our washers, who had cloth in their hands to a very considerable amount, upon which wee sent out a party of horse and foot to protect the same, whose appearance caus'd 'em to march off. 8

Ship Sarum Christopher Dixon Comander arrived from Fort S^{t}: David, by whom Rec^{d}: Generall Letter from the Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: Coun^{ll}: dated 6th: Instant, with Bill Lading for 430 bales Calicoes of the Honble: Comp^{y}. 9

Att a Consultation Friday 9TH

Present

Thomas Pitt, President & Governour
Francis Ellis Thomas Wright
Thomas Marshall
John Meverell
M^{r}: Empson *indispos'd.*

The Warehousekeeper is order'd [to send] on board the Bedford, 430 bales receiv'd [from] Fort S^{t}: David ℔ Ship Sarum. To Traverse bales on board the Bedford.

Generell Letters from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 5th: and 6th: Instant, both [read]. Fort S^{t}: David Letters, read.

Last night the Governour received Letter from the Duan, the purport of [which] was, that matters were not to be acco[mmodated] by Letters, but by sending some judicious person, whereupon the Governour [summoned] a Councill, with the Mayor, Military and Cheif Inhabitants of the place to consider what was most proper to be done, upon which 'tis resolv'd to send our Mulla, [who by] reason of his Cast, they dare not affront or abuse, who is to hear what they have Matters wth: the Moors not to be accommodated by Letters. They would have a judicious person sent to 'em. Mulla to go.

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to [say] but answer to nothing, till he has dir[ection] from the Govr: and accordingly this [night] he is order'd to go to S^{t}: Thoma.

THO: [PITT.] M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THO^{S}: MARSHALL.
[THO: WRIGHT.] JOHN MEVERELL.

This day again, wee had many thousands of the Inhabitants deserted their habitations, being mostly women and Children. Wee heard that the Nabob had taken four English men Prisoners at S^{t}: Thoma comeing Overland from Fort S^{t}: David, being some sailors belonging to the Advice frigat and Soldiers of that place, who had leave to come hither.

10 The Merchants acquaints, that the Moors have seiz'd 40 Ox Loads of the Comp^{y}: cloth and carried it into S^{t}: Thoma, being come away before their orders could reach their ffactors for not sending more, and they further acquaint Us, that they understand the Nabob has sent to seize all cloth in the Weavors hands with their Accompts.

WEDNESDAY 11TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Honble: Comp. Accot: Cash [Secre]tary Accot: Fees [Jan^{y}:] read.

The President read his acco^{t}: of the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{y}: Cash for the month of January last, Ballance being Pag^{s}: 39,865: 13: and Charles Bugden Secretary read his Acco^{t}: Fees of Passes for ditto month, and pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp: Cash Pag. 2: 24 being their part.

Stores of Powder & shot to be provided for this place & Fort S^{t}: David.

The Warehousekeeper is order[ed to deliver] the Storekeeper Forty Candy Salt[petre to make] into Powder, and that the latter bu[y . . .] Brimstone for that use and the [Warehouse]keeper is further order'd to deliver the Forty Candy Lead to make into shot, [. . .] that he send fifty bags of Saltpetre [to Fort] S^{t}: David ℔ ship Sarum, and the Pa[ymaster] to Buy and send likewise five Candy Brimstone thither.

A Letter to y^{e}: French, Dutch & Dean about our present circumstance, with the Moors, read.

This day again the Governour [summoned] a Generall Councill, and produc'd a Letter [which he] had wrote to the ffrench, Dutch and De[ans to] advise 'em of our circumstances and [the] occasion thereof, also the necessity of [our] joining together in this matter (at [Councill] after this Consultation) which was [ordered] & agreed that it should be translated [into] Portuguez, but to defer the sending [of it] tomorrow night, in expectation to [hear] some news from our Mulla before that.

Persons appointed to View & report what necessary to be cut &o^{a}: for the safety of y^{e}: place.

In regard that severall houses and [gardens] lye very near the new wall and works of Black Town, Tis order'd that Messrs: Empson, Marshall, Chardin, Affleck, Seaton, Sin[. . .] and Gunner view the same and report [what] is necessary to be cut and puld down for safety and good of the place.

Red earth & overplush of the Bedfords Kintlage sent from Bengall to be continued on board.

The President and Councill of Bengall having Laden a parcell of red earth for the Bedford Kintlage, when they thought they should not be able to procure enough Saltpetre but afterwards unexpectedly meeting with more than the Kintlage of the Ship, desired us to take out the red earth, which will not vend here, and put the Company only to the charge of fetching it ashore and Godown Room, for which reason wee have sold the same to Capt: Hudson at Invoice price,

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and continue the Saltpetre over and above his Kintlage, it being according to his request in writeing, which paper is order'd to be sent the Company on said Ship.

Order'd that the old Silver Plate received ℔ Ship Sarum from the West Coast be deliver'd the Steward, who is to melt it down and take charge thereof. [Old silver] plate sent from [west coast] delivd: ye: Steward. [Compª:]

Having occasion for Godown room for Grain &cª: It is agreed that the Comp: Silver being Twenty four chests be deposited in one of the Presidents Lodgeing rooms, till the present troubles of the Moors are over. Silver to be De[posited] in yᵉ: Govrs: Lodgeings.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMˢ: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

DRAUGHT OF A LETTER WROTE IN PORTUGUEZ TO THE FRENCH, DUTCH & DEANS GOVERNᴿˢ: & COUNCILL AT POLICHEERY, NEGAPATAM AND TRINGOMBAR VIZᵀ: HONᴮᴸᴱ: &Cª:

Some days since [. . .] arrived Doud Cawn at Sᵗ: Thoma, with [con]siderable forces of horse and foot, when [pre]tended great friendship to us, but daily [endeavouring] to get us to send some English [men] Vissit him, which wee excus'd, knowing [they] had sent for people of all the Europe Na[tions] which made us jealous, 'twas about [some]thing relateing to the Pyrats, so at [last] seeing, wee resolv'd to send no English, shew'd our Vacqueel an order from the [President] copy of which comes inclos'd, and [as we were] inform'd, he has also an order to seize [the] heads of all Europe Nations, and hee himself to carry 'em up to the King or make 'em sign a Paper to Pay what his Subjects [had] Lost by Pyrats. Hee has already seiz'd a considerable quantity of Goods of Ours, [&] also our Merchants ffactors and Weavors in the country, and stop'd all Provisions comeing into this Place, and intercept'd Letters, and what else he can effect he [will] not wee beleive leave unattempted, and are sure hee intends, as he prevails [how] it shall be a Leading card to all Europeans in consideration of which, wee think wee are all equally concern'd, and beleive wee should find it our Interest to join and assist each other in this matter, which if you Approve off, wee desire you'l assist us with some provisions and men, which may be a means to keep off the evill Day from your selves, resolveing never to comply with their unreasonable and unjust demands.

Wee defer'd sending you the foregoing till wee had heard from our Vacqueel in the Nabobs camp, who return'd this day and gave us an accoᵗ: of the unreasonable demands of the Nabob, which was, that wee must Surrender our estates and ffortifications into their hands, for that the King would suffer none to be in his Country, saying, that if wee were Merchants, wee had no need of Fortifications and many other unaccountable expressions, which makes us think, there can be noe accommodation, but such as may tend to our ruine and all Europeans. Wee desire your speedy answer to.

HONᴮᴸᴱ: &Cª:
Yoʳ: most faithfull ffriends
& humᴮᴸᴱ: Servants.

THOMAS PITT. MATT: EMPSON.
FRANCIS ELLIS. THO: MARSHALL.
THOM: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

FORT Sᵀ: GEORGE
12ᵀᴴ: FEBᴿʸ: 170¾.

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The Generall Letters to Metchlepatam [and] Vizagapatam of the 7th: Instant and Dis[patched] that day, being intercepted by the Moors [at] Policat & carried to St: Thoma, Duplicate again forwarded, with an addition to [bear] this date, by means of a Poligar.

News was also brought us, that a Generall Pacquet from the Dep. Govr: &ca: Councill of Fort St: David was intercepted by Doud Cawn at St: Thoma.

12 Received ℔ Cattamaran Generall Letter [from] the Depy: Govr: &ca: Councill of Fort St: David [dated] the 10th: Instant, with copy of another [dated] 7th: ditto, (the original being yesterday [seized] by the Moors) with copys of severall other papers as ℔ List of that pacquet.

THURSDAY do: ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, President & Governour
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THO: MARSHALL
MR: MEVERELL *Indispos'd.*

Letters from and to Fort St: David, read. Bales of this place to be Laden on ye: Bedford. [Mulla re]turns from ye [Nabob·] relates what was [told] him.

Generall Letter from Fort St: David [dated] the 10th: Instant, with copy of another dated the 7th: ditto (the original being intercept[ed by] Doud Cawn') read, also Letter to dittos [of] this date, read and approved.

The Warehousekeeper is orderd to Lade on board the Bedford, what bales of Calicoes here, as the Comander calls for them.

This day the Governour Summond a Genll: Councill, to acquaint 'em with what Message the Mulla had brought from the Nabob at St: Thoma which was such rodamantade stuff, that wee could hardly give credit to it, he demanding Possession of our Mint; That his people should come into our Town, View our Godowns and take an Accot: of our Estates, and that wee should put one hundred men of theirs in possession of the Black Town, and then hee would write to the King that wee had obey'd his order, and that hee wod: write and make an attestation in our Behalfs, unto which wee must wait an answer, otherwise he would fall in upon us and make us Surrender by force of Arms, and cutt us all off: hee also told the Mulla, that if we're Merchts: what need had wee of such a ffortification and so many Guns, which is an Argument that has been much us'd by the new Compa: servants, since their dropping into this Country, and as wee have been inform'd, the same has been urg'd to the King and the great men of the Kingdome at the Camp.

[No] answer to be made the [nabob] [Pepper] hot: for the Oompa: & sent 'em ℔ Bedford.

'Twas agreed that no answer be returnd to this message, as not being worth our takeing notice of, but Tacitly to Defie their Threats.

There being a parcell of Pepper in Town brought lately from the West Coast, Tis order'd that the same be bought for the Company, Capt: Hudson allowing the over plush of the Companys price, and that the Warehousekeeper Ships the same aboard the Bedford [if] the Comander desires it.

Letter & protest from the Bishop of St: Thoma and the Govrs: answer.

There being a report of our sending ships into St: Thoma Road, to Batter the place (the Nabob making it his refuge) so intimidated the Portuguez there, that the Bishop sent us a Letter and Protest. [The] Translates are enter'd after this Consultation and the Governours answer thereto.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.

Sr:

Supposeing the Advice that I [have] to be true, that Your Honr: was resolved to [send] a ship or two to this Port to Bomb the City, [with] intention

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to Destroy it, was the reason of [my] writing this, and to present Yor: Honr: ye: in[closed] Protest, in the first place, humbly desire your Honr: to desist from your Intent, since the Inhabitants have not deserv'd it, who on all occasions have behaved themselves as his ffriends and thankfull for the kindnesses Yor: Honr: has treated them withall, but when Yor: Honr: will not desist, I offer the inclosed Protest in the name of the King of Portugall, whose City this is. Your Honr: ought not to think strange of this Protest, for intreating according to our Justice and right, it is not against the Rules of Friendship and good will, which I owe your Honr: and from thence I hope your Honr: will accept of it, with the courtisie wherewith I offer it. God preserve Yor: Honr: &ca.

Your Honrs:

St: Thoma 22d: [12 ?] February 170½. Humble: Servant & Friend
Bishop of Meliapur.

To the Governr: of Madrass.

Don Gaspar Alfonso Bishop of the city of St: Thoma and Meliapur and of his Majesties Councill, by the absence of the Deceased Capt: More Lucas Luis de Oliveira, Wee understand by a constant report from Madrass, that Yor: Honr: with the advice of your Councill has made ready one or two Ships with Instruments of warr to come to this Port and destroy this City of St: Thoma, and supposeing that wee persuade ourselves that this is only a Report and that Yor: Honr: will not put in execution what is said, this being a city of the King of Portugall (and under his flagg) wherein there is a Bishop Capt: More, Ovidore and other officers (accustom[ary] in a city) made by him, and that your Honr: will not break nor act against the Peace over so many years between the Crowns of the Serene Kings of great Brittain & Portugall cheifly since the Inhabitants of this city [have] not given any cause thereof, but rather showed themselves on all occasions as [true] friends, but when Your Honr: dos resolve against these reasons, and break the friendship between the two crowns, wee do protest [against] Yor: Honr: once and many times, as to the [rights] and customs of this place in behalf of [ye: king] of Portugall and to this City for all the Evills [and] Damages that shall thereby Succeed, of all [which] Yor: Honr: is to be accountable to the most S[erene] King of Great Brittain, to whom shall be represented all the Prejudice you do to the [king] of Portugall and this city, and wee desire [you] to accept of this Protest with the Courti[sy with which] wee offer it unto You, for the good of our Just & right. St: Thoma 22d: [12 ?] February 170½.

Don Gaspar Alfonso Bshp of [Meliapur].

To his Lordship the Bishop of St: Thoma.

I received Your Lordships Letter [with] the Protest and observe the contents ther[eof] and shall take due care to preserve the union between their Majesties the King of Portugall and the King of Great Brittain, and the ffriendship that is between Yor: Ld:ship &ca: and us, for which I have a great value, not in the least doubting, that Yor: Ld:ship or any of yor: nation, will by advice or otherwise give any assistance to our unreasonable and unjust Enemies, so craveing Yor: L:ships Blessing for success to our arms against 'em and wishing you all health & prosperity, I am

Fort St: George Yor: Lordships most Obedient
12th: Febry: 170½. Humble Servant
Tho: Pitt.

Our Mulla return'd to St: Thoma, and order'd to remain there to advise us of all Occurrences from time to time. 13

Dispatchd ℔ Cattamaran for Fort St: David (to be forwarded thence) our Letters to Policherry Negapatam & Trincombar all of yesterdays date, the Draught being enter'd in this Diary, incloseing also translate of the Mogulls Hosbullhookum.

[13TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, FEBRUARY 1701-2*——

Mr: Chardin acquaints the President he has received ℔ Cattamaran a Letter from the ffrench Govr: at Policherry, which advises, that a Gusbadar with six horse were come there from Doud Cawn, to desire their Assistance of Ships and men against this place, but the Govr: pleading great Business, excus'd hearing the message upon their arriv[al] and that night Dispatch'd their three Ships for Europe; also advis'd, that the Nabob had sent for the ffrench Second to come to him but they were told, he being Sick could not go.

14 Ship Pearl Samuel Heaton Commander [arrived] from Amoy in China, and brought a Letter from Mr: Gabriel Roberts Supra Cargo of the Loyall Cooke, by which 'tis fear'd he will try to finish his business so timely as to save Passage through the streights of Mala[cca] but must go by the way of Batavia [which] will make it June or July ere hee arrives here.

News brought from St: Thoma, that one thousand Poligars are come down to Doud Cawn's Assistance, and now in St: Thoma.

15 Sent the Mulla at St: Thoma to be delivered the Nabob, Duan & Buxie Forty-eight [China] Oranges, there being no more good br[ought] which were kindly accepted but the D[uan] bid the Mulla write the Govr: to send One hundred more, that he might send 'em[to] Court, which is understood to be One hun[dred] Shoes of Gold, or so many thousand Pag[odas] or Rupees.

16 Dispatch'd ℔ an Inhabitants Pattamar [. . .] Letter to Sr: John Gayer &ca: Councill at Sur[at] of this date, incloseing the translate of Mogulls Hosbul-hookum and the proceedings of Doud Cawn.

MONDAY 16TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM. MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Pags: 1000] Order'd the Paymr: Accots: for Decr: read.

Order'd that One thousand Pag. be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster read his Accts: for the month December last, particulars Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pag:	1472:	30:
Charges Extraordinary	„	3:	31:
Charges Diet	„	305:	17:
Charges Generall	„	436:	19:
Accots: Present	„	3:	16:
Charges Cattle	„	47:	—:
West Coast	„	185:	28:
ffortifications & Repairs	„	53:	20:
	Pag:	2508:	17:

Freemen's horses for ye: service to be maintained by them. Necessarys for ye: Hospitall to be provided. Paymr: to supply the Pedde Naigue & the severall Casts with money to pay their peon

In regard of the present troubles wee are under and the necessity wee have of horse, and for encouragement of all the Comp. Servts: and freemen that have horse and that will lend 'em dureing these troubles, wee order that the Paymaster find 'em with horse meat [at] the Companys charge. And that he also [keep] in a Store of necessarys for the Hospital that in case wee come to Action, there be nothing wanting. Likewise that for the present supply the Pedde Naigue with money for the Paying off his People which must be deducted out of his Revenue and further, that he advances money for the present to Pay the Peons raised [by the] severall Casts, which charge must afterwards be defrayed by them.

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There being an Ensigns Employ vacant by the death of Richard Jolly, It is orderd [that] George Harrison as eldest Serjeant succeed him, and that the Secretary forthwith [send] out his Commission, but that his Pay [Com]mences not till the ℔mo: of next month. An Ensigns place filld.

THO: PITT.	M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.	THOMS: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT.	JOHN MEVERELL.

Information being brought, that a Boat of the Comps: Goods from Kisnapatam was Seiz'd by the Moors in a Cattamaran off Policat, a Mussola was immediately sent hence that way in persuit of 'em and four Portuguez Soldiers well Arm'd, with orders to Destroy such who opposes the bringing away the Goods.

ATT A CONSULTATION TUESDAY 17TH

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter to the Rt: Honble: Comps: of this date read and approved. [Letter to Honble:] Comps: read.

Agreed that the President remits One thousand Rupees to Mahomud Hussen our Vacqueel at the Kings Camp to defray his charges. [Rs.] 1000 to be remitted Vacqueel at ye: Kings [Comp].

THO: PITT.	M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.	THOMS: MARSHALL.
THO: WEIGHT.	JOHN MEVERELL

To prevent interception by the Moors [Duan sent] ℔ Pattamars on a Boat to Ramiapatam there to be sett ashore, the Presidents Letter to our Vacqueel at Court, with a Petition [to] the Mogull, Letters to Assed Cawn Grand Vizier, Zulphaker Cawn and Wottum Chund giving 'em an accot: of Doud Cawns pro[posals] also was sent an attestation sign'd by the Principal Inhabitants of the place. 18TH

A Brigantine belonging to the Dan[es] from Bengall bound for Tringombar [which] brought Generall Letter from President &c: Councill dated the 20th: January, with [duplicate] of another the 15th: ditto, the Original being sent overland. 20

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 20TH

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
ME: ELLIS *indisposed.*

Order'd that Richard Phillips bee [Enter]tain'd in the Gunroom. Europeans entertained in ye: Gunroom.

A Generall Councill being Sumond.

This day our Mulla acquainting us that he had been discourseing the Buxi[e] about the troubles wee are now under, who outwardly seems to be our ffriend, and was telling him that there was no other way to get clear of 'em but by a Petition to the King, and that the Nabob, Duan & himself would likewise send another in our behalfs, so the Mulla desired that he would be pleas'd to The Buxies manner of accommodation.

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advise the method of those Petitions which he immediately did, as enter'd after this Consultation, so after peruseing of 'em, wee concluded to give no answer as not worth our takeing notice of, but agreed to send for our Mulla hither tomorrow morning to give an acco[t]: of his Negotiations.

Generall Letters read.

Generall Letters from Bengall, dated y[e]: 15th: & 20th: January read.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THOM[S]: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

THE METHOD FOR THE GOV[R]: OF CHINNAPATAM TO WRITE HIS MAJESTIE THE MOGULL DRAWN BY THE BUXIE.

Doud Cawn and Mahomed Syde Duan have received your Majesties Hosbulhook[um] to them, the purport whereof, is to seize [our] Effects, stop our Trade and confine our [persons] Wee humbly lay our Lives and Estates [at your] Majesties Mercy and are always Obedient to your Commands, nor are wee blame [worthy] being altogether innocent of any Pyracies committed either to Mussellmen or any [others] but on the contrary have made it the utmost of our endeavour to destroy those rogues. Our ships are continually going and comeing on this side, and to this hour never rob'd [or] plunder'd any ship whatever. I hope your Majestie will take this into yo[r]: gracious consideration and lay no blame upon us.

FROM THE NABOB, DUAN & BUXIE TO THE KING.

The English of Chinnapatam h[umbly] lay their Lives and Estates at your Majest[ies] Mercy, whom wee have invested round [in] Order to seize their Effects, and have already taken what Goods wee could find, nor are they disobedient to your Majesties comand.

Wee have made strict inquiry and find that they have ships always comeing and going too & fro in these parts, and to this hour 'twas never known that they have plunder'd either Mussell-men or others, besides they have been very serviceable to yo[r]: Maj[ties]: Armies, in assisting Cawn Bahawdar against your Enemies with their Lives and fortunes, by whose means the Cornatta Country came to abound so much in wealth, and as to Presents they will Pay, into yo[r]: Maj[ties]: Treasury in the terme of Four Years, the Sum of [*Lacuna in the Original*] and will keep the Seas clear in these parts.

Wee humbly intreat Yo[r]: Majestie to be favourable to 'em, and lay no blame upon 'em.

20 Dispatch'd this night ℔ Cattamaran Gen[ll]: Letter to Fort S[t]: David, of this date, ordering 'em to send by open boats what bales remain after the Sarum and Bedford Sloop are Dispatch'd.

SATURDAY 21ST

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOM[S]: MARSHALL
JN[O]: MEVERELL
M[R]: ELLIS *indispos'd.*

[. . . .] Paintings to be valued [accor]ding to y[e]: goodness of work.

Whereas there has been Four hundred peices of Fine Paintings, which the Painters we[re to] be allow'd for according to the fineness of the [work] Tis order'd that the Councill view them and [send] for our Merchants to give their advice [thereon] that so the Painters may be paid for y[e]: same.

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The Mulla return'd this evening [from] S^{t}: Thoma and acquainted us with [abundance] of Discourse he had with the Nabob &c^{a}: [from] whom he had great intimations that [they] wanted from us a very great Sum of [money] to all which wee bid him answer tha[t wee]ow'd 'em nothing, their King nor his [country] nor would wee give 'em any thing. The Mulla from S^{t}: Thoma & our direction to him w^{t}: he is to tell ye Nabob &c^{a}:

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Chalton John Fountain Comander arrived from Metchlepatam, which be[longing] to M^{r}: Pitt the new Companys President of that place, and being sent hither to raise additional Subscriptions for a China Voyage the Govern^{r}: order'd M^{r}: Juxon & y^{e}: Comander off again, upon their first coming ashore. 22ND

The Govern^{r}: having intimation brought him of some people that were coining false Pagodas in their house, hee imediately sent and apprehended three with their instrum^{t}: who were clapt in Irons and committed to the Marshalls custody.

Ship Nadee Madud, Meera Macumadoo Noquedah belonging to the Moors arrived from Bengall.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 23RD

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL.

Yesterday here arriveing a Ship of M^{r}: Pitts from Metchlepatam to raise subscriptions for China Voyage, which wee esteeming a prejudice to this Port, It is order'd that the following Paper be fixt on the severall Gates of the city in all Languages Viz^{t}:. [A ship of] M^{r}: Pitts from [Metch] lep^{m}: sent hither to [. . .] stook for China.

Wee being credibly inform'd of Pirats being abroad, and that they have taken sev^{ll}: Ships, and whereas all Country Ships are of little force, so that without any great difficulty they become a Prey to 'em wherefore to prevent any misfortune of that nature to the Inhabitants of this place, wee doe hereby give notice, that if silver is procureable wee intend two Europe Ships well man'd [and] Gun'd, this next Season to Emoy & Canton. [Measures] to prevent their [rob]ing ^{t}

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 14th: Instant sent by Cattamaran but meeting the northerly winds, could [go] no further than Sadraspatam from w[hence] by Peons it was brought Overland co[meing] from the Moors. 23

Early this morning ship Hampshire Zachary Tovey Comander arrived from Canton in China. 24TH

The Govr: sent to our Mulla at S^{t}: Thoma two hundred china oranges, half for the Nabob, the other half equally between Duan & Buxie, and in the evening

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re[ceived] a letter from the Mulla that he had accordingly deliver'd 'em, and discourseing the two former about severall matters [touching] our present troubles, all seems to hang [on] the Duan for Accommodation, the Nabob declareing his agreement to w^ch: y^e: other [does].

25TH This evening Ship Dansbourge arrived from Trincombar Laden with Grain.

26TH Last night Sloop Bedford arrived from Fort S^t: David, and this morning the master came ashore with the Pacquet, which contain'd Generall Letter dated the 19th: Instant &c^a: papers with Invoice for 81 bales amo^t: to Pag. 5517: 23: 2 adviseing that the Nabobs orders had reach'd Abdull Labby at Chellumbrum &c^a: Phousdars for their beseigeing that place, as by a letter the said Abdull Labby wrote the Dep: Govern^r: and that therefore they expected down in a day or two a great force to join from all parts likewise that the Moors had seiz'd in y^e: country to the amo^t: of 50 (or) Forty thousand Pagodas of the Honble: Comp: cloth.

THURSDAY do: ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERN^a:
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

[Another] part of a Letter to [the] Comp^a: read. Addition of this date to our Letter to the R^t: Honble: Company to be sent ℔ Ship Gosfright read & approved.

[Letters] rec^d: read. Generall Letters from Fort S^t: David dated the 14th: & 19th: Instant &c^a: papers therewith receiv'd read.

[. . .] ℔ a Sloop from Fort [St: David] to be traver-s'd [on board] y^e: Bedford. Sloop Bedford being last night arriv'd from Fort S^t: David with eighty One bales [of] Calicoes of the Companys, the warehousekeeper is order'd to cause them to be tra[versed] on board the Ship Bedford.

Gunner entertain'd. Pag. 250 p^d: y^e: Washers. Order'd that Samuel Owen be ente[rtained] in the Gunroom.

Order'd that Two hundred fifty Pag[odas] be advanc'd to Saulo &c^a: Washers for their present maintenance & to secure 'em here.

Money & Stores order'd for Fort S^t: David. The Bedford Sloop being design'd [to sail] tomorrow for Fort S^t: David, It is order'd on her there be sent the following Viz^t:

Pagodas	... ...	Two thousand.
Butter	... ...	10 jars.
Oyle	... ...	20 d^o:
Gunnys	... ...	50 p^s:

Pag. 1000 order'd y^e: Paym^r: Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for Defraying charges Garrison.

THO: PITT. — M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. — THOM^s: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. — JOHN MEVERELL.

27TH Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 17th: Ins^t: ℔ Pattamars, who came thrô without being examin'd by the Moors. In the night Bedford Sloop saild for Fort S^t: David by whom sent Generall Letter of this date with Invoice & Bill Lading for Two thousand Pag^s: &c^a: stores.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — SATURDAY 28TH

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — JOHN MEVERELL.

Order'd that John Sharbourn, Mitchell Banks, and Samuel Wood be entertain'd in the Gunroom. — Europeans entertain'd in the Gunroom.

Mr: Thomas Wright warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comp: cash nine thousd: Pagodas on acct: Silver and Goods sold. — 9000 paid by ye: warehousekeeper.

Mr: Matthew Empson read his Sea Custom acctes: for the month November last, particulars Vizt: — Custom accts. for Novr: last.

To custom on Goods Imported and Exported this month ...	Pa:	576: 15: 50
To custom on Grain	„	21: —: 90
To Anchorage	„	12: —: —
To Tonnage	„	27: 28: —
To ffreight as ℔ Acct: ℔ticulars	„	142: 18: 70
	Pags:	779: 27: 10

Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 17th: Instant, also translate of [the] Generall Letter from the ffrench at Poliche[rry] dated 4 March 1702 s. n. both read. — Letters Recd: Read.

THO: PITT. — M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. — JOHN MEVERELL.
THO: WRIGHT.

Last night ship Sarum Christop: Dixon arrived from Fort St: David and brought Generall Letter from the Deputy Govr: &cta: Co[uncill] dated the 26th: past &cta: papers as ℔ List, [her] Invoice for 479 bales amtg: to Pags: 35331: 6: — MARCH pmo:

[. . .]

The Governr: & Councill signd the following order Vizt:

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to [cause] the 479 bales from Fort St: David ℔ ship [Sarum] to be travers'd on board the Bedford. — SUNDAY do:

THOMAS PITT. — MATT: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. — THO: MARSHALL.
THOMAS WRIGHT. — JOHN MEVERELL.

Yesterday in the Evening the Generall Pacquet to the Honble: Compa: was deliver'd Capt: Harrison, who then Embark'd, and early this morning ship Gosfright saild for England.

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 2ND.

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The President read his Acct: of the Rt: Honble: Company's cash for last month, Ballance being Pags: 40555: 27: 1. — Acct: Cash for Febr: moth:

Generall Letter from Fort St: David dated ye: 26th: Instant, read. — [Letter] from Fort St: David, read.

[2ND]

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Bedford wants bales to [be laden]. [Intimati]on made accordingly.

Capt: Hudson acquainting us that ship Bedford will take in a considerable number of Bales more than the Sarum brought yesterday from Fort S^{t}: David, and the Warehousekeep^{r}: now produceing a List of Turn'd out Cloth in the Godown, It is order'd that the same be taken in and valued accordingly and then embaled and sent aboard.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.

4TH

This Morning received ℔ Cattamaran Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the p^{mo}: [Inst] which advises they were not so closely Beseig'd, but that by stelth, some Gram & Fire wood was brought into their [precincts] also therewith received a Generall Pacquett from the Dutch at Negapatam & another from Trincombar in answer to our Letter wrote them the 12th: past. The former with a specious excuse for not assisting us [with] men, saying they are under fear of trouble from the Tanjore Country, and to shew [they] want their complement of force in Garrison sends us abstracts of Letters wrote by them [to] Zeilone and Batavia, requesting recr[uits] and that the late storme having damaged their magazein of Provisions, they can[not] supply us with any, concluding, with feign'd strein of sorrow and wishes for [a happy] Issue from our troubles. The Danes alle[dge] their circumstances at this time are [very] weak, having had great mortality amongst their Europeans both ashore [and] belonging to their ships, which we have reason to Credit: But they sent a Sloop of Provisions, which arriv'd this evening. The Mary Smack William Adams [master] arrived from Bengall, by whom receiv'd Generall Letter from President Beard &ca: dated the 6th: past &c^{a}: papers as ℔ List of Pacquet adviseing of a report spread by the new people that the Mogull will Issue out his Orders to all Nabobs, Phousdars &c^{a}: for seizeing our Comp: servants and their Effects for satisfaction of the late Piracies committed on the Moors shipping, and that therefore they are prepareing for their best Defence both on shore and on the River.

WEDNESDAY 4TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Letters] recd: & sent, read.

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the ℔^{mo}: Instant, also translates of Letters from Negapatam and Trincombar and our Letter to the ffrench at Policherry of yesterdays date, all read.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1701-2*—— [4TH]

This evening our Mulla return'd from S^{t}: Thoma with the four English men stopd there by the Moors as noted in Diary of [the] 9th: past, who were all Tasheriffd each w[ith] an ordinary Shaul, and by them the [Nabob] sent his Salam to the Governour. They acquainted us the conference he has had with the Nabob, Duan and Buxie, who all [by] their answers gave broad hints of a great sum of money they expected from us, which they promise to write to Court on our behalfs.

Dispatch'd ℔ Cattamaran Generall Letter to the ffrench at Policherry of yesterday's date, and to the Dep^{y}: Govr: &c^{a}: Councill of this date, reprehending the latter for permitting a small vessell to be fitted out [on] their road, who wee hear since is turn[d] Pirate, having given chase to other [vessels] on this coast, and that they endeavour to app[rehend] 'em.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 5TH

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATT: EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter from President Beard [&c] Councill at Bengall dated the 6th: past &c^{a}: papers therewith receiv'd, read. Bengall Letter rec^{d}: read.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to Traverse on board ship Bedford from the Mary Smack what bales she can take in, and that the rest be sent ashore, only the 150 bags Salt-petre remains for her Ballast, and that the Smack be forthwth: well man'd & Gun'd to go in persuit of a small Pyrat wee hear is on this Coast. [Bales] from Bengall ℔ [Mary Smack] to be traversed remainder to be landed. [Order'd] that she be man'd to go in persuit of a [Pyr]at.

The Paymaster is order'd to muster ship Bedfords men. [Muster] Ship Bedfords men.

Order'd that Marcello Leal be entertain'd soldier in this Garrison at Two pagodas ℔ mensem. [Soldier] entertain'd.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. JOHN MEVERELL.
THO: WRIGHT.

Our spy Braminys from S^{t}: Thoma brings advice that the ffrench Secretary from Policherry arriv'd there yesterday, and had this day presented the Nabob, Duan and Buxie in Liquors & Rarities to the amo^{t}: by calculation of about Eight hundred Pagodas. 5.

Dispatch'd ℔ Country boat Generall Letters to Metchlepatam of this date with the [. . .] watch mended formerly sent hither for that purpose. 5TH

ATT A CONSULTATION FRIDAY 6TH

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATT: EMPSON THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Agreed that the President be Paid Pag^{s}: 5707: 5: — being for Candys 308 M^{d}: 9: 22 lb. Pepper bought for the Honble Company at [. . .] Pagdas ℔ Candy. Pag: 5,707: 9. paid for Pepper.

[6TH] ——— *FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1701-2* ———

Pags: 1,000 order'd for charges Garrison.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas [be] paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster [for] defraying charges Garrison.

Letter to ye: Auditor Genll: read.

The Accomptant produces his Letter [to] the Auditor-Generall of the 25th: past and [. . .] which was read and approv'd.

Pag: 1200 to be pd: for ship Sarum bought, & yt: She's dispatchd to lye as a Guard ship at ffort St: David.

Order'd that Twelve hundred Pagodas be paid Capt: Richard Phrip, being for ship Sarum bought at Outcry for the Honble: [Compy:] and that she be forthwith furnish'd with necessary stores and Dispatch'd, to Lye at Fort St: David as a Guard Ship, and that th[e] Compy: Lead formerly spared the Ow[ner] continued aboard, and Six thousand Pagodas be sent thither by her, the Depy: Govr: and Councill having by their Letters importun'd us for money.

Part of a Letter to ye: Campa: read.

Generall Letter to the Honble: Company of this date to Parag. the 6. read and approv'd.

The amot: of 1,500 Ryalls ⅝ paid ye: Comr: of Bedford on Charterparty terms.

Order'd that the amot: of Fifteen hundred Ryalls 8/8 be paid the Commander of ship Bedford upon charterparty terms at the rate of 16½ weighty Dollars ℔ Ten Pagodas the now price currant of silver, as ℔ his request enter'd next after this Consultation.

Portuguez Traind bands be allow'd pay from the Company.

The Portuguez Train'd Bands having lain at their Arms ever since the Nabobs comeing to St: Thoma, and most of 'em consisting of poor Seafareing and Handycraft men, who have familys to maintain wee think it reasonable and necessary for the Comp: Affairs at this time, to allow 'em Pay from the time they took up arms for Defence of the place, without which they are not able to subsist, and accordingly 'tis order'd that the Paymaster forthwith give 'em their Pay.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THOMS: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL

To the Honble the Governour &ca:
Councill.

Whereas by a clause in Charterparty (respecting the ship Bedford) with the Rt: Honble: East India Company, it is agreed that in case the said Ship shall be detain'd in India longer than four months after her first arrivall, that the said Company shall supply the Commander of said ship with a sum not exceeding [Two] thousand Peices of Eight for the necessary supply and Victualling of said ship, I therefore make it my request that you'l please to furnish me with the sum of One thousand five hundred Peices of eight for the Uses aforesaid which will oblige.

Yor: Honrs: &ca: most humble: Servt.
Fort St: George 6th: March 170½. JOHN HUDSON.

7 About noon ship Bedford was full, but gave no notice thereof by fireing a Gun as usual to conceal from the Natives and Moors her intended Departure.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 24th: past, when, as they write, they were under no apprehension of troubles from the Moors, but that the Rajahs were encamp'd within a League of Vizagapatam and had great forces.

Deliver'd Capt: William Adams Commander of the Mary Smack his Dispatch and Commission for sailing to the Southward in persuit of a small Pirat on the coast, as has been represented to us by Letter from the Danes at Tincombar.

9 Deliver'd Capt: John Hudson his Dispatch with the Box qtr: our Generall Pacquet to ye: Honble: Company, and about 3 O'clock this afternoon Ship Bedford saild for England.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1701-2*——

In the night ship Sarum saild for Fort S^t: David, to Lye as a Guard ship there, by whom sent Generall Letter to the Dep^y: Govern^r: &c^a: Councill of yesterday's date, incloseing Invoice and Bill Lading for 6,000 Pag^a: &c^a: stores. 11

Rec^d: Letters from our Vacqueel at the Mogulls camp, adviseing that matters between the Moors and Europeans at Surat were near accommodated (thô then not freed from their confinement) the English having paid for the two ships taken by the Pirats in the streights of Malacca, upwards of 2,82,000 Rup^s: in Broad Cloth &c^a: Goods, and that y^e: Dutch for the three Moco ships in spices &c^a: had paid upward of 456000 rupees, This being made known to the Mogull, he then order'd an answer to our Kings Letter, with a Dagger valued aboot 5,000 Rupees, and sent both to S^r: W^m: Norris at Brampore and an order to y^e: Nabob of that place, to permit him to go on his way to Surat. 12

Our Spy Braminys from S^t: Thome acquaints that the Dutch arrived there this morning from Policat, with a Present for the Nabob &c^a:

Receiv'd ℔ Pattamar Generall Letter from the Cheife &c^a: Councill of Vizagapatam dated the 17th: past confirming the late Metchlepatam advices of the Rajahs being encamp'd within a League of the ffactory: therewith also rec^d: Generall Letter from Bengall dated 15th: Jan^{ry}: last &c^a: papers inclosed, the copys being sent ℔ Mary Smack.

The Bedford Sloop William Murphy Master arrived from S^t: David, by whom receiv'd General Letter from the Dep^y: Govr: &c^a: Councill dated the 9th: Instant, with Invoice and Bill [of] Lading for 86 bales amo^{tg}: to Pag. 7,607: [35: 3] sent by her, whereupon the following order was sign'd by the Govr: and Councill Viz^t: 13

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unload the Honble: Comp. bales from Fort S^t: David on board the Bedford Sloop.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOM^s: WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOM: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Our Mulla from S^t: Thoma acquaints that this day the Dutch attended the Nabob wth: their publick Present consisting Viz^t: Scarlet Cloth, Silks, China& Japan Ware and spices (what given privately, is not known) who after some small discourse and having been commended by y^e: Nabob for obeying his comands, took leave and went away, when both he and y^e: Duan ask'd our Mulla why the English did not also come, who answer'd, that their repeated indignities to 'em was a sufficient reason; in the End, the Nabob told our Mulla wee did not well consider our fault, and that if wee regarded the welfare of our Trade (hee having a kindness for us) did by way of advice offer to make up the Business, wee paying 30,000 Rupees, to which the Mulla reply'd he had no Power to assure so much, and wonder'd he should insist on it, satisfaction having been made at Surat. 18

Received Generall Letter from Fort S^t: David dated the 12th: Instant, adviseing matters in respect to the Moors are much at the same rate as lately inform'd, therewith also receiv'd Genl: Letter from Anjengo dated the 22^d: Jan^{ry}: last, incloseing copy clauses of Surat letters to Bombay from the 29th: Nov^r: last to the 30th: [Dec^r] which intimates that our ffactory at Surat was then so closely Blocked up, that no provisions was suffer'd to be carried in, but had a certain daily allowance of water, wood &c^a: sufficient only to support Nature. 17

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TUESDAY 17TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT Esqr., PRESIDENT AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THO: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Payment of money order'd.

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison and that Pag^s: 132: 21 bee paid the Mintmaster being for charges and Loss on Twenty one thousand Negapatam Pagodas melted down and coin'd into Pagodas of this place. Likewise that seven hundred thirty five Pagodas be paid by the Warehousekeeper to the owner of ship Sarum for Freight of 909 bales from Fort S^t: David, and Treasure and stores sent thither as℔ acco^t: particulars now deliver'd.

Fort S^t: David Cloth to be wash'd & View'd.

Agreed that what Brown Cloth lately received from Fort S^t: David be deliver'd out to the Washers, in order to be cur'd, and that the same with all the rest thence be View'd by us.

Pag. 260 paid in Cash for passengers to England.

The President pays into the R^t: H: Comp: Cash two hundred and sixty Pagodas, being for permission of Passage of the following ℔sons for England, Viz^t:

Mrs. Nicks her two Children	Pag^s:	52:	—: —
Robert Fleetwood	,,	26:	—: —
Lewis de Paz and his slave boy	,,	52:	—: —
John Stigginson	,,	26:	—: —
Thomas & Eliz Wright	,,	52:	—: —
Anthony Pennyston	,,	26:	—: —
One black Wench	,,	26:	—: —
	Pag^s:	260:	—: —

Letters receive'd, read.

Generall Letters from Vizagapatam dated the 17th: February, from Fort S^t: David dated the 9th and 12th: Instant, and from Angengo dated 22^d: January &c^a: papers all read.

Soldiers & Gunr: entert^d.

Order'd that John Mackassar be entert^d: Souldier, and Philip Sooul in the Gunroom.

Leave for Capt: Gostlin & his family to remove to Metchlepatam.

Capt: Armiger Gostlin having been a long time Inhabitant of this place and Employs growing scarse, has Petition'd us for leave to remove himself and ffamily to Metchlepatam where he has imbark'd [for] Employ in M^r: John Pitts Service for China, so considering the great charge he has of, a ffamily to maintain, and the reasonableness of his request, wee have granted the same.

Town Conicoplys Duty to be paid.

Woota Lingua the former Town Conicopley lately dying, Tis agreed that his former allowance of Twenty five Pagodas quarterly be paid his son Manangapah, it being agreeable to the Custom of the Country, and that what owing on that account be accordingly paid.

Joshua Page order'd Steward.

Wee intending to remove M^r: Henry Davenport from being Steward to be[come] Secretary, and there being no ffactors or Writers fitting to succeed in that Employ, being wholly ignorant of any part of Oeconomy, the President has recommended One Joshua Page as a proper person for that Employ, as having been a Housekeeper in England, so hope he'l manage it more for the Companys Advantage than it has formerly been, and accordingly he's order'd to take charge from the first of May next.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1701-2*—— [17TH]

There being a boat tomorrow bound for Metchlepatam, tis Order'd One thousand Pagodas be sent them in charge of carefull Peons, their last Letter adviseing they had not then one Pagoda in Cash. Pag, 1,000 to be sent to Metchlepatam.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THO: MARSHALL.
THOS: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd Generall Letter to Fort St: David of Yesterdays date ℔ Cattamaran, and to Metchlepatam of this date ℔ Boat adviseing'em with the late news received from Court and Surat. 18

Nothing worthy an Entry about the Moors at St: Thoma since the 13th: inst. 19

Our Mulla remitted hither from St: Thoma Copy of News arrived there from Court, which agrees with our Vacqueels advices received the 12th: Instant, that restitution is made for the Moors Demands at Surat, and ye: Mulla acquaints hee has been very industrous to make it known in all Companys, also that hee told the Nabob it now behov'd him to wth: draw his forces, who answer'd, that he could alledge a thousand things against us beyond our power to Defend, from which'tis to be infer'd what he wants. 20

Sloop Benjamin Bawkera Bakeer Noqueda arrived from Junkzeilone. 21

Ship Sta. Maria Cojah Sapher Noqueda arriv'd from Pegu. 22

Ship Chindadree Ignatio Swares Pilot arriv'd from Pegu.

Ship Boon Viagio Diego Moroose Pilot arriv'd from Pegu.

Sent the Nabob &ca: some Pegu Oranges, who return'd 'em with an answer, yt: they were only fitt for Children. 23

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 5th: Instant, adviseing that the new Compy: people there had received Letters from Sr: William Norris, whereupon they reported he had got the Mogulls Phirmaund, and Publish'd it round the Towne with ye: Country Musick, and by Dischargeing great Guns from the shore and on board their ships in the road.

The Mary Smack William Adams Comander (sent hence in persuit of a supposed small Pirat) arrived from the Southward, by whom received Generall Letter from the Depy: Govr: &ca: Councill dated the 23rd: Instant, with Invoice and Bill Loading for 110 bales, adviseing that the suspected Pirat (being only an Open boat) return'd of themselves with Arrack bought at Cullumbo, and were come into Cuddalore river, having only three Europeans. 52

ATT A CONSULTATION WEDNESDAY 25TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter to Bengall of Yesterdays date read and Approv'd. Letter to Bengall, read.

Mr: Thomas Wright read his Warehouse Accot: for the months of January & February last, and pays into the Rt: Honble: Company Cash Five thousand Pagodas on accot: of silver and Goods sold. Pags: 5000 paid into Cash or silver &cas: sold.

Order'd that Thomas Willowghby and Henry Ward be Entertain'd in the Gunroom. Two Gunners entertain'd.

[25TH] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1701-2*——

Pags: 1,000 paid ye: Paymr: &

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison, and that he Pays Pags: [8...]for Court charges in an Action between [Mr] Daniel Chardin and the Honble: Company the latter being cast.

Letters receiv'd, read.

Generall Letter from Mr: Thoms: [. . .] at Calicut dated the 27th: January last and from Fort St: David the 23d: Instant read.

Bales from Fort St: David to be unloaden.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper [send] the 110 bales from ffort St: David on board Mary Smack.

Tho: Pitt.	M: Empson.
ffrancis Ellis.	Thoms: Marshall.
Tho: Wright.	John Meverell.

26TH Received a Letter from our Mulla at St: Thoma adviseing a long conference he had had with the Buxie, setting forth their abuses and unreasonable demands on this place, which by his answer was rather commended than otherwise [& gave that] nothing but a Round Sum must [free us] from our present troubles.

28TH Dispatch'd ℔ Country boat Generall Letters [to] Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam both dated this day.

Ship Chambers frigat Capt: Tho: South Comand[er] arrived from England, having been m°5: d°14: from the Downes, on whom was Mr: John Dobben Supra Cargo bound for China, and came out in Company with the Orenzeb Capt: Blewet Comander also bound for China both under the Direction of Mr: Dolben, but parted in Blowing weather.

Sloop Greyhound Thomas Edwards Master arriv'd from Bombay, and brought Generall Letter from the Dep: Govr: &c: Councill therein dated the ultimo ffebruary and p^mo: Instant which advises that the News by an Armenian Cossed is, that within a day or two from that time matters would be accommodated between us and the Government at Surat, thô the Generall Letter dated 2d: February received by the above Sloop from Sr; John Gayer &c: Councill at Surat, gives no such promiseing hopes, but on the contrary, that they were then under the former constraint in the ffactory: That the M[oghul]had broken open the Honble: Companys Warehouse and taken out to the Value of 2,35,000 Rupees and seiz'd all Goods at the inland places of Investments, and makes further demands of 3,00,000 Rups: for satisfaction of Hussen Amad.

Ship Acheen Merchant Samuel Hart Co[mander] arrived from Mocha, having touch'd at [. . .] and other places on that Coast and cam [. . .] from Anjengo.

Ship Endeavour Elias Bates Master arriv'd from Bengall, by whom received Genl: Letter from President Beard &c: Councill dated 17th: last &c: papers as ℔ List.

MONDAY 30TH Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esq: President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thom: Marshall
John Meverell.

Letters received, read.

Generall Letters from Surat dated 2d: Feb[ruary] from Bombay the 28th: ditto & ℔mo: Instant [. . .] and from Bengall the 17th: February &c: paper received, all read.

Salt-petre from Bengall be unloaden.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to unloade the 250 bags of Salt-petre from Bengall [received on] board the Ship Endeavour.

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1701-2*—— [80TH]

Order'd that the Mary Smack [. . .] for Bengall to sail the 10th : next month, [and] that a Note be affixt at the Sea Gate to [give] notice thereof for liberty of Freighting [on] her. Mary Smack to be Return'd to Bengall.

Mr : Thomas Marshall Paymaster read [the] Accots : for the month January last, particulars. Vizt : Accot : for Janry : read.

Charges Garrison	P :	1,398 :	-
Charges Extraordinary	„	27 :	26
Factors Provisions	„	2 :	12
Charges Diet	„	451 :	33
Charges Generall	„	433 :	34
Charges Cattle	„	106 :	12
Accot : Present	„	...	22
West Coast		31 :	25
Metchlepatam	„	25 :	24
Fortifications & Repairs	„	84 :	9
	Pags :	2,572 :	17

The Accomptant is order'd to draw out the Accot : of the last half years salary ending the 25th : Instant due to the Honble : Comps : Servants in this place. [Accountants] Salary to be drawn.

Tho : Pitt.	M : Empson.
ffrancis Ellis.	Thoms : Marshall.
Tho : Wright.	John Meverell.

Our Mulla from St : Thoma advises, that [he is] inform'd, yesterday arrived there Assed Cawn's Letter, confirming what done by Doud Cawn &cs : in seizing all Goods belonging to ye : [English] which wee believe is only given out, to hasten our complying with their demands, the [Nabob] often biding the Mulla apply himself, [to the] Duan, who says they must have 30,000 [Rupees.]

Att a Consultation Tuesday [31st]

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqs : President and Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thom : Marshall
John Meverell.

Mr : John Meverell read his Land Custom Accots : for the months of January & February particulars Vizt. Land Custom Accts : for 2 mos :

Janry :	Choultry Custom	Pa :	39 :	13 :	26
	Registring Slaves	„	—	24 :	—
		Pags :	40 :	1 :	26
Febry :	Choultry Custom	Pags :	18 :	4 :	18
	Registring Slaves		—	16 :	—
		Pags :	18 :	20 :	18

Order'd that One thousand Pagodas be Paid Mr. Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison. Pags : 1,000 paid ye : Paymr : [Mr.] Dolben & Capt : of ship Chambers frigat sent for.

The 28th instant Mr : John Dolben arrived here in the Chambers frigat from England, [and told] us he belongs to the old East India Company but having brought no Letters from them wee thought it necessary to desire him and the Comānder to appear this day before the Governr : and Councill, who gave the following accot : Vizt.

[31st] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, MARCH 1701-2*——

Reason of their comeing here.

"That they left England in October and came out in Company with another "ship call'd the Orenzeb, both bound for China under the Direction of Mr: "Dolben &c^a: and the reason of their comeing here, was, the resolution of the "Comãnder, who considering 'twas better lying here than in Batavia till the "proper season offer'd for their pro[ceding] to China; and Mr: Dolben told us "that [he] had a Pacquet for the President & Councill which was not to be "deliver'd till his re[turn] from China, but gave us a Letter from the Company "for the West Coast with a flying seal. And his belonging to the old Co[mps] is "confirm'd to us, by severall private[s] to the President and others.

Tho: Pitt.	M: Empson.
ffrancis Ellis.	Thom^s: Marshall.
Tho: Wright.	John Meverell.

Ship Sedgwick Henry Harnet Comander arrived from Persia and Anjengo.

Ship Princesse Sophia belonging to the Danes arrived from Persia & Surat Simon Goodman Comãnder.

[3rd April] 6

Brigantine Deborah Edward Pemmell Ma[ster] arrived from Anjengo, and touching at Fort St: David, brought thence Generall Letter from the Deputy Govr: &c^a: Councill dated the 4th: Inst: when they write, they were under the same circumstances in respect to the Moors Beseigement, as by their late advices.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam dated the 20th past month, which mention their laying up a store of Provisions in the ffactory sufficient for one month, apprehending some danger from the Moors late advices being arrived there, that an order has been sent, the Nabob of those parts to seize all the Europeans with their Effects, but the Nabob being in a Fort surrounded by the Morrattas, said order had not then reach'd him. Also therewith receiv'd Generall Letter from the Cheif &c^a: Councill at Vizagapata^m: dated the 4th: past, adviseing matters are agreed between the old Nabob & Rajahs, the former having paid 'em a Laack of Rupees; that the Rajahs were not Disbanded, thô at some further distance from our ffactory than by their last advices.

7th: Messages from and to the Mulla at St: Thome but nothing material to be Noted, since the [31st: past].

Wednesday 8th: Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr: President and Governour

Francis Ellis	Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson	Thomas Marshall

John Meverell.

[Letters] received, read.

Generall Letters from Fort St: David dated the 4th: Instant, from Metchlepatam dated the 20th: March last and from Vizagapatam the 4th: ditto, all read.

Payment of money on all acco^t:

Order'd that Four thousand Pagodas bee paid Kittee Narrain, being for one bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheife &c^a: Councill at Metchlepat^m: dated the 20th: March last, and Pag^s: One hundred & seven. 23 fan^s: be paid Capt: Armiger [Gostlin] for one other bill drawn by the Dep^y: Govern^r: &c^a: Councill of Fort St: David dated the 2d: Inst: and that one thousand Pagodas be paid Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Accot: Cash for March read.

The President read his Acco^t: of the R^t: Honble: Comp. Cash for last month, Ballance being Pag^s: 26,809: 19:

——*FORT ST. GEORGE, APRIL 1702*—— [8TH]

The Accomptant and Mr: Marshall appointed, delivers in their Examinations of 460 Dollars said to be wrong'd charg'd [on] Mr: Sowdon, which is enter'd next against this Consultation, and the same now confirm'd by us, who being sent for, [was] acquainted therewith.

Mr: Sowdon condemn'd of [460] Dollrs: said to be wrong'd charg'd on him.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash Five thousand Pags: on Acct: Silver and Goods.

Warehousekeeper pays into Cash 5000 pags: Gunner entertd: Army at St: Thoma prejudicial to this peace. 18000 Rups: to be offer'd 'em, provided all [. . .] [are delivd:] to [our merchants].

Order'd that Thomas Sherwin [bee] Entertain'd in the Gunroom.

The Nabob and his army having here a considerable time, stopping all Trade and Provisions, and very much increaseing daily the Companys charges, which has not only been very prejudicial to the Company in their Trade and Revenues, but likewise to the whole place in Generall, and finds now that they decline very much in the Demands (which wee impute to the advice they have, that the Merchants demands at Surat are satisfied) wee have thought fitt, to prevent greater inconveniences, to employ One Seliam Beague an Inhabitant of this Towne, to offer 'em the Sum of Eighteen thousand Rupees, provided they deliver up to our Merchants the Goods & money they have seiz'd belonging to this place and Fort St: David which Sum of Eighteen thousand Rupees (considering the long time they have lain here) we beleive will be no inducement for him to come again, or any of his Successors hereafter, and accordingly 'tis agreed the President pays the same sum upon the Terms aforesaid and not otherwise.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To THE HONBLE: THOMAS PITT ESQR:
PRESIDENT & GOVR: OF FORT ST: GEO: &CA: COUNCIL.

SRS:

In persuance to an order of Consultation the 24th: December last, wee have examin'd the Four hundred and Sixty Dollars demanded by Mr: Sowdon as an injury done him by Mr: Charles Fleetwood, who wee sent for, and produc'd the York Fort Consultation of 8th: May 1693, that charges him therewith; which justified by said Fleetwood in our presence and nothing appearing material to [streng]then Mr: Sowdons allegations to the co[ntrary] wee find no reason to alter the same, [and] conclude it to be a due charge upon him

Dated in Fort St: George this 2d: April [1702]

FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMS: MARSHALL.

Ship Monsoon Joseph Child Comander [. . .] from Bengall, by whom receiv'd Genl: Letter dated the 23d: February last &ca: papers [as] ℔ List of the Pacquet, which cheifly observe what the Armenians report of yE: Governr: at Surat having plunder'd the old Compa. Factory there of 185,000 Rupees in Goods and therefore the President &ca: desires a supply of money hence, fearing upon this news, they shall fail of having Credit from the Shroffs. 9

The President & Councill sign'd the following Order. Vizt: MONDAY 13TH

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to cause Eleven hundred bags of salt petre to be unloa[den] from on board the Monsoon sent from Bengall by her.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FRA: ELLIS. THOMS: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

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Julien Curtada & Ferdinando Rodigues Topasses Volunteers were Discharg'd at their request.

THURSDAY 16TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT AND GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Payment of money order'd.

The Accomptant delivers in the Acco[t]: Salary for the last half year ending 25th: March last, amounting to Pag[s]: 1097: 3: 2 which is Order'd to be paid, and that One thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

Letter from Bengall, read.

General Letter from Bengall dated the 23[d]: February, read.

[Pag[s]:]130: 25. 51 paid into cash [on acco[t]:] Town conicoplys Duty.

M[r]: Thomas Wigmore Receiver of the Sea Customs pays into the R[t]: Hon: Companys Cash Pag: 130: 25: 51: on Acco[t]: Town conicoply's Duty for 12 months ending the Ultimo October last.

Custom Accots: for Decr.

M[r]: Matthew Empson Sea Customer read his Acco[t]: for the month December last, particulars Viz[t]:

To Freight rec[d]: ℔ ship Dutches, at Metchlepatam	P.	40:	23: 50
To Ditto ℔ Advice frigat from Bengall	„	124:	1: 80
Pag[s]:		164:	25: 30

and pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp: Cash ... ... Pa: 1,144

Viz[t]: Acco[t]: Freight	„	307:	[...]
Acco[t]: Customs being the Ball: of that month	„	837:	[...]
Pag:		1,144:	[...]

Sea Custom Accots: for Janry: & Febry: read.

Also reads his Acco[ts]: for the months of Jan[ry]: and February last, particulars Viz[t]:

Jan[ry]: To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pag[s]:	892:	[...]
To Custom on Grain	„	427:	[...]
To Anchorage...	„	34:	[...]
To Tonnage	„	16:	[...]
Pag[s]:		1371:	[..]
Febry: To Custom on Goods Imported & Exported	Pag[s]:	2,210:	[31]
To Custom on Grain	„	308:	[35]
To Anchorage	„	56:	[...]
Pag[s]:		2,575:	[30:]

Pags: 4,000 paid into Cash on that Acco[t]: Pag[s]: 13: 7. p[d]: for Essays rec[d]: from Fort St: David.

and further pays in Four thousand Pagodas on Acco[t]: custom of those months.

The Mintmaster pays into the R[t]: H[Comp] Cash Pag: 13: 7[ta]: being so much rec[d]: from Fort St: David to be Essayed here.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FFRANCIS ELLIS. THOM[s]: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

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Ship Madapollam Jackaroy Noqueda arrived from Pegu.

Ship Johanna William King Master sailed for Bengall, by whom sent Generall Letter to Presid[t]: Beard &c[a]: Councill dated the 15th: Instant.

M[r]: Dolben &c[a]: this morning Embark'd on board the Chambers frigat for China and in [the] night saild. [21]

Ship Sapher Salamut Antonio Farnando Pitt arrived from Pegu. [22]

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 23RD

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]: PRESIDENT & GOVERN[R]:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL.

The President pays into the R[t]: H[ble]: Comp: Cash Fourteen Pagodas and four Cash, being [for] 1: 11 of Gold deliver'd by M[r]: Higginson as the Ballance of M[r]: Soame's Acheen account and the Paymaster pays Twenty two Pagodas for an old founderd horse Sold. oz. cwt. Moneys paid into Cash.

Order'd that the Paymaster pay for Can. 12: 2: $21\frac{3}{4}$ of Brimstone to remain as [a] store and that the Warehousekeeper delivers the Storekeeper Fifty Candy Salt-petre for the use of the Garrison and the Storekeeper is order'd to refine the Petre and Brimstone aforesaid [to be] fit for making of Powder. Md. lb. [To pay] for Brimstone bought. Salt-petre to be delivd: y[e]: Storekeeper. W[th]: ye: Brimstone are Refin'd.

M[r]: John Affleck &c[a]: ffreighters of the Hampshire pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[a]: Cash Eight thousand Pagodas for the hire [of a] ship to Canton in China and back to [y . . .]. Pag[s]: 8000 paid into Cash [for freightm[t]: of ship].

Agreed that the President redelivers the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp. Treasure Deposited [in] One of his rooms (as p order of Consultation the 11th: February last) to the Warehousekeeper and that he delivers the Mintmaster [Silver] to be coin'd into Rupees for the Comp: Acco[t]:. Silver to be coin'd into Rupees.

M[r]: Henry Davenport read his Stewards Acco[ts]: for the month ffebruary last. Stewards Acco[ts]: for Febr[y]: read.

There having lain for some years in [the R[t]: Hon[ble]:] Company[s] storehouses Naival Stores to a considerable amount, and more particularly those that were brought out by the Tav[estocke] which cost extraordinary rates in England that our endeavouring to get prime cost for 'em, has given others oppertunitys to sell [them] (who have since brought out the same sort of Stores) at much cheaper rates, and the Companys still lyes by, which must of [Necessity] be very much decay'd: So to prevent greater Loss thereon, It's order'd that the Storekeeper sell off all Navail Stores of the Companys at the currant prices of the place, acquainting the President therewith, when he's about disposeing of 'em. The Comp[s]: Naival Stores Order'd to be sold.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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28d 25 27 TUESDAY 28TH

Mr: James Allix ffactor died and was that evening intered.
Dispatch'd Generall Letter ℔ Boat to Vizagap[atam] of this date.
Received General Letter from Fort St: David dated the 25th: Instant.
The following order was sign'd by the Govr: & Councill, vizt:
The Warehousekeeper is order'd to cause the 150 bags Salt petre on board the Mary Smack sent from Bengall to be unloaden.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.

29

In the night Ship Charlton Armiger Gostlin Comander saild for Metchlepatam, being from thence bound to China.

THURSDAY 30TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL.

Mint accots: for 4 mos: read.

The President as Mintmaster read his Mint Accots: for January, February, March and [April] month, particulars Vizt:—

Janry:	To Custom on Gold	...	...	...	...	...	Pags:	15:	[...]
Feb:	To Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	469:	[...]
March	To Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	1,118:	[...]
April	To Ditto	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	172:	[...]
								Pags:	1,777:	[8]

Pags: 1777. 8: pd: into Cash for Custom on Gold coin'd. Liquors bought.

which sum of Seventeen hundred Seventy Seven Pagodas: and Eight fanams is now paid [into] the Rt: Hon: Companys Cash.

Order'd that Five hundred fifty Seven Pagodas & Thirty two fanams be paid of Cash for the following Liquors bought for the supply of this and the Subordinate ffactorys, Vizt:

		Pa.	Pa.
Madera Wine 6 Pipes at	... ...	55	330:
Florance Wine 14: Ch. 19: Bott. at	... ...	14	199: 32
Strong Beer 2 hhds.	... ...		28:
		Pags.	557: [32]

Land Custom Accots: for March read. &

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer read his accots: for the month March last, particulars Vizt.

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	...	...	Pa.	20:	12:
Town Brokers	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	10:	13:
Registring a Slave	...	...	...	...	...	...	„	...	8
							Pags:	30:	[33]

Pags: 68: paid into Cash on that Accot.

and pays into the Rt: Honble: Comps: Cash sixty eight Pagodas on Accot: Land Customs.

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[30TH]

Generall Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dated the 25th: Instant, read.

Letter from Fort S^{t}: David read.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys cash Eight thousand Five hundred Pagodas on account Silver and Goods sold.

Pag^{s}: 8,500 Paid into Cash by Warehouse-keeper.

M^{r}: Allix being lately dead, 'tis order'd that M^{r}: Wilham Jennings succeed him in Calicoe Godown under the Warehousekeeper.

Wm: [Jennings.] Appointed in ye: Godown.

Generall Letters to Surat & Anjengo both dated the 28th: Instant read and approved.

[Letters] sent read.

M^{r}: Matthew Empson Sea Customer pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp: cash Two thousand five hundred Pagodas on that account.

Pags: 2,500 paid into Cash [on acco^{t}:] Sea Customs.

The Auditor Generall having wrote out hither that there was an omission in Govr: Yales time of his not making good unto R^{t}: Honble: Comp: cash the Sum of Two hundred and fifteen Pagodas and Thirty fanams paid him here by the Trustees of Capt: Peddy deceas'd, for which bills was given on the Company (& paid by them) as appears by the Generall Letter which he himself sign'd dated p^{mo}: Feb. [1702] sent ℔ Ship Chandos, which Sum the Presid^{t}: & Councill having demanded of the Attorney of M^{r}: Yale, who finding as before represented have this day paid said Sum into the R^{t}: H: Comp: Cash.

[attorneys] of Mr: Yale [...] Pags: 215: 30 on Capt: Peddys [...].

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY

SUNDAY [MAY] 3d

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESID^{T}: & GOV^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATHEW EMPSON — THOM^{S}: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL — WILLIAM FRANCIS
GEORGE HERON ESQ^{R}: MAYOR
DANIEL CHARDIN — JOHN AFFLEC[K]
CAP^{T}: FRANCIS SEATON.

Cap$_{t}$: Tovey on board & Capt: Sinclare [. . .].

The Nabob &c^{a}: Kings Officers having lain before this place upwards of three [months] and interdicted all manner of trade & pr[ovisions] coming into this place, the latter grow[ing dear] makes it uneasy to the inhabitants, and [there] having been some Overtures of accommodation from the Enemy, which the Governour has been daily importun'd by all sorts of people to accept of, occasions his sumon[ing] this Generall Councill, whom he acquaint[ed] wth: every particular as entered after this [Consultation] which being debated, 'twas agreed much by [the] Majority that the proposealls be accepted and that the same be Negotiated and settled, Checca Serapa and Narrain, acquainting [the] Govr: from time to time what progress [they] make therein.

Proposealls offer'd by ye: Moors for an accommodation, accept^{d}:

THO: WRIGHT.
THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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THE PROPOSEALLS MADE BY KISNOJEE DODOJEE BY ORDER OF THE NABOB & DUAN TO THE GOVERNOUR OF MADRASPATAM FOR AN ACCOMMODATION OF THE PRESENT DIFFERENCES.

Whereas by a late Order from the King all Trading and Provisions with the English has been interdicted at Fort S^{t}: George and Fort S^{t}: David, wee the Nabob and Duan do now reverse the said order, and do grant them free liberty to Trade in all places as heretofore they have done without let or Molestation, and to confirm the same to our people, do promise to give them our Perwanna, directed to all Phousdars, Kelledars, Corrodees, Deshais Destramokys, Polligars and Inhabitants of all places whereto they trade, to be carryed by our Chubdars.

That whatever moneys &c^{a}: have been taken away either upon the roads or in Towns, or any place whatsoever, said Moneys &c^{a}: shall be return'd to the Value of a Cowry, and our Merchants sett at liberty.

That the villages and all that has been taken from 'em, shall be return'd and due satisfaction made for all Damages according to account.

And whereas their Trade has been stopped by the Kings Order Goods and money seiz'd, 'tis requisite that an order from [the King] be procur'd to revoke the former, which oblige ourselves to do, and upon Comp[liance] with the aforesaid articles, Twenty [Thousand] Rupees is to be paid by the English to [the Nabob] and five thousand privately to the [Duan]; [of] which sum̃s half is to be paid upon cle[aring] the Villages, returning the Gram [they have] there seiz'd, takeing off the stop on Tra[de and] provisions, and sending the Chubdars [to the] aforesaid Officers with Perwannas [to all parts] of the Country, whereby to order our trad[e to be] as free as formerly, and to restore all G[oods] &c^{a}: which were seiz'd and now lye in S^{t}: [Thoma] and when the whole Business is compl[eted] the English to Pay the other half.

5TH The seige raised.

6 Ship Sth: Cruce David Mascus Comander arrived from Manilha.

Received Generall Letter from Metchlepatam, dated 23rd: April, which gives no apprehension [of] any troubles from the Government. Therewith received two Generalls from Vizagapatam one dated 10th: February the other dated 10, & 13th: past with copy of their Generall Bookes, ending April 1701 advising of mutuall Visits past, and Treaty made between the English, and the New Nabob there, who promisses all manner of Friendship to the Company's Affairs, for our fidelity [to the] Predecessor, and the Moors Government. By the same Pattamars, allso received three Letters from the President, and Council of Bengall, dated 3^{d}: 6 & 10th: March &c^{a}: papers, amongst which was Translate of the Mogulls Hosbulhookum to his Nabob there for seizing all English &c^{a}: Hatmen wth: their Estates towards satisfaction of the robbery's committed at Sea by the Pyrats on Moors Shipping and accordingly had confin'd the Persons of those in our Factory at Patana, and seiz'd Treasure of the Honble: Company's to a considerable Amount att the Mint in Rajamaul.

THURSDAY 7TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

[Rs. 4] 5,000 ordered to be sent [to Bengall] ℔ the Mary Smack.

The Warehousekeeper is ordered to Lade on board the Mary Smack for Bengall Forty five thousand Rupees, and the Storekeeper stores as ℔ List.

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[Pags·] 1,000 order'd the Paymastr.

Order'd that one Thousand Pagodas bee paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster, for defraying charges Garrison.

Farmers pay Pags: 300 [Comps:] Account.

Gruapah &cª: Arrac Farmers pays into the Rt: Honble: Compns: Cash, Three Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

[Officers dis] charged the Gunroome [for the service] of Mary Smack.

Order'd that William Sharp, John Richard James Turrin, Christian Mathews, John Carpenter and Henry White bee discharged the Gunroome for the Service of the Mary Smack to Bengall.

The turn'd ont Cloth belonging to ye: Joint Stock Merchts: orderd to be sold at outcry by the Warehonsekeeper.

The warehousekeepor is ordered to sell at Outcry the Turned out Cloth belonging to the Joint Stock Merchants, and that he receives them and bring the same to their Credit.

Genll: from Bengall read as also Letters from ye: Northern Factorys. Genll: to Bengall Read.

Generall Letters from Bengall dated 6th: and 10th: March last &cª: papers received [today as] allso Letter from Vizagapatam, dated 10th[. . .]: and 13th: April and from Metchlepatam [the . . .] all read. Likewise our Generall Letter to [Bengall] of this date read, and approved.

The freight of the Saltpetre by ships Endeavour & Monsoon from Bengal order'd to b pay'd.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to pay Freight of what Salt Petre sent from Bengall Ships Endeavour, and Monsoon, at the rate of Twenty ℔ cent as ℔ Agreement.

Farmer of the Wine Licence pay into Cash Pags: 250 on yt: Accot:

Peter des Pommare for Account of Proby, payes into the Rt: Honble: Compª: Cash Two Hundred, and fifty Pags: for one yeares wine Licence ending the 25th: March last.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thomª: Marshall.
John Meverell.

8th: This morning the Mary Smack, William Adams Comandr: sail'd for Bengall, by whom sent Genll: Letter to President Beard &cª: Councill of yesterdays date incloseing Invoice & Bill Lading for 45,000 Rupª:

9 Ship Noss Senhora de Rosairo, Francisco Canor Pilot arrived from Macow in China.

10 Received Generall Letter ℔ Pattamars from Sr: John Gayer &cª: Councill at Surat, dated ye: 24th: March last &cª: Papers as ℔ List, advising the old Moors Governour being Displaced, as is generally reported for his causing a Stop of Trade to that Port, and abuses to our Masters Affaires, & their Factors, and that the new Governour upon receiving the Phirmaund, for his being constituted in the others Place, admitted our Generall &cª: before any other Europeans to his presence, giving Sr: John Gayer a Horse &cª: allso bestowed on the President & the rest of the Councill to the height of what is customary, and taking off their Guard before they visited him, excepting five who are continued over the Generall, and

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President onely, and hath promissed to use his endeavours with the King to get ye rest[traint] on our Goods at the Inland places of Investments taken off. The same Letter allso advises of Sr Willm: Norris being return'd to that City from Court, but without any Phirmaund.

MONDAY 11TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall from Surat read.

Generall Letter from Surat dated 24th: March &ca: Papers received therewith all read.

Account Cash for April read.

The President read his Account of the Companys Cash for the last month Ball 5022 [. . .]

A Grainery ordered to bee built, and [. . .] Place appointed.

Wee having extreamly found the want [of a] Grainery in our late troubles, all our Godowns [being] very improper for that use, in so much that [. . .] of that nature have very much suffered for [want] thereof, Tis resolved that the Paymaster [forthwith] makes all manner of Provission for the Building of a Grainery in the place where the old Beating Godowns formerly stood, in such manner as the Governour from time to time shall direct.

Nabob insisting to have [an] Englishman come to bim, & supposd reasons for it. [To p]revent delay's it's [resolved to send ye:] Secry: & Narrain [to wait on] the Nabob wch: a Present to the value of 1,000 Rups:

Wee having as wee thought concluded all matters with the Nabob as p Consultation of the 3d: Instant, who now acquaints us that the same [will] not bee finish'd 'till he has the respect paid him of an Englishman to wait upon him, wch: having considered, wee conclude it's for no other end, [than] to have an Addition to his Present as is customary, when wee send an Englishman to their Durbars, so to prevent Delays, and hopeing thereby to get rid of our Present troubles, wee resolved forewith to send Mr: Charles Bugden our Secretary and Narrain to wait upon the Nabob, with a Present in Liquors, and Rarities to the value of One Thousand Rupees.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

12TH: Ship Adventure Jonathan Harpet Master arrived from Bombay, by whom received Generall Letter from Sr: John Gayer &cs: Councill at Suratt dated 2d: April onely to Inclose copy of their [last] with Invoice, and Bill Lading for a bale of sa[tin] and parcell Garden seeds.

14 Persuant to an order of Consultation of 11th: Inst, our Secretary and Narrain this morning proceeded towards St: Thoma in order to wait on the Nabob with a Present of Rarities &ca: who returning acquaints that by Directions of the Duans [Bra]miny Kisnojee, they stop at Trivlecane expecting advice from him, when would bee the most properest time to come to St: Thoma, so about one a Clock at noone the Braminy sent with the Nabob just before was march'd away with the Army, and that the Duan, would have 'em [come] to Madrass with the Present, promising to [settle] up matters with the English, according to the proposealls of the 3d: Instant, by Persons he [promised] to send hither for that purpose.

Ship Nadie Madud, Hodjee Noqueda sa[iled for] Bengall.

18 This day the Governour to ease the great [care] wee are att, disbanded the Portuguez Malitia [and] quarter'd our standing Forces att their parti[cular] Posts

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as formerly, and order'd a Treat for each for their readiness dureing Nabob Dow'd Cawn lying at S^{t}: Thoma.

Sloop Good Adventure Nicholas Simons [Master] arrived from Calicutt. 19

Ship Princes Sophia Simon Goodman [Comander] belonging to the Danes saild for Trincombar.

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 21

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Order'd that William Bush, Jno: Ford, Step[hen] Emens, Mitchel Banks, Peter Jerow. Thos: Weatcher Paul Springer, John Child, Samuel Wood, Richard [bee discharged] y^{e}: Gunroome at their request. [Men] discharged y^{e}: Gunroom.

The Warehousekeeper is order'd to sell off the Company's Lead for the most he can gett, but not under seventy Pagodas ℔ Candy, and to make sale at Outcry of the Woolen manufactory remaining in the Warehouse to prevent Damage by lying. Lead to bee sold, & [to make sal]es of the Woolen [manufactory] in the Warehouse.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper pays the President Four Thousand five Hundred Rupees being for One bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheife &c^{a}: Councill of Vizagapatam dated 10th: April last as ℔ Letter of Advice of Ditto Dates. [4,500 Rs.] paid the President [by the] Warehousekeeper.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Accounts for the month march last and Warehousekeeper reads his [account] march last.

M^{r}: Thomas Marshall read his Paymasters Account for the month February last particulars Viz^{t}: [Pay] Mast^{r}: reads his Acco^{ts}: February last.

Charges Garrison	Pa.	1,805 :	16
Charges Dyett	„	468 :	5
Account Present	„	1 :	24
Charges Generall	Pag^{s} :	439 :	30
Charges Cattle	„	95 :	35
Charges Extraordinary	„	54 :	32
Fort S^{t}: David	„	75 :	29
Fortifications & repairs	„	108 :	4
	Pag^{s} :	3049 :	31

Ordered th[at] One Thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison. [Pags : 1000] order'd to bee paid[ye:] Paymaster.

M^{r}: John Meverell pays into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{as}: Cash Pag^{s}: 32 : 8 : 42 Account Town Conicoply' Duty, Collected at the Choultry for fifteen m[onths ?] Ending December Anno 1701. [Pags : 32: 8 42] pd into Cash by Meverell on Acco^{t}: Town Conicoplyes duty.

Order'd that Twenty five Pag^{s}: be paid [A]nangapah for three months Town Conicoplye's Duty, ending ultimo April last. [Pags : 25 for] Conicoplyes Duty [for] three moths: order'd to bee paid.

Generall Letter from Surat dated 2^{d}: [April] last read. Letters receiv'd read.

[21st]

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Secry: reads his Acct: Fees of Passee: pays P 224 on yt: Acct.

Charles Bugden Secry: read his Account fees of Passes for the month April last amount Four Pagodas, and pay's into the Rt: Honble: Com Cash Pags: 224 their part.

[a] Souldier & a Gunner order'd to be entertain'd.

Order'd that John de Soza Topasse bee entertain'd Souldier, and Henry Delow in the Gun-room in this Garrison.

Gardene within a mile of [Black] Town order'd to be [viewed] by Messrs: Empson and Marshall & report the same.

Wee finding that Gardens within a mile [of the] the Works of the black Town to bee very incon[venient] they giving very great Advantage to an Ene[my] for Lodgements, and erecting Battarys against [the Fort] for which reason tis orderd that Messrs: Empson and Marshall do take a View of what Ga[rdens] have been planted these last five years, and report to the Governour, and Councill, the distance they are from the works, and whether any way incommodious.

[Hatts] to bee provided by Paymaster for ye: Portuguez & English officers.

Tis order'd that the Paymaster provide S[car]let Coat, and Beavour Hatts for the Portuguez officers, as a Gratuity for their readyness to [serve] the Garrison, and the same for the English officers Vizt: Lieutenants, and Ensigns.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Fryday 22d

Att a Consultation Extraordinary

Present

Thomas Pitt, President & Governour
Francis Ellis — Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson — Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Warehouse-keepers [report] of Silver wanting.

The Warehousekeeper reporting that in delivering over some of the Company's Silver to the Mint, ther's short five pound weight of one Ingott mark'd 396, in Chest N°: 292, sent ☿ ship Phœnix, being 2 oz. Standard and Invoiced £38: 11: 18 which was allso now weigh'd before the Governour, and Councill and the Account found to agree.

Governr: & Councill [ordd] to let out ship [for] hire to Chna, and [the] reasons why.

The Inhabitants of this Place, showing their inclinations to trade to China, by fitting out two small Countrey ships, with considerable stocks, wch: ships being of no force, so that they will bee a prey to any Pyrate they shall meet; Wherefore to prevent any such misfortune to the Place, the Governour and Councill have thought fitt to tender the Hampshire to Lett out to freight, in regard her time for staying in the countrey, doth not expire untill the 30th: of January next, and that by means of the great troubles in the Countrey, 'tis uncertain whether, wee can get a Cargoe ready for her before that time the Paper sett up to advise her going, contains ye: [. . .] as Enter'd after this Consultation.

Tho: Pitt.
ffrancis Ellis.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

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The Governour and Councill perceiving great inclination the Inhabitants of [the towne] to Trade to China, by preparing two small [Country] Ships with very considerable stocks to the [. . .] tent but wee being advised as well as very [many others] that there are, and will bee Pirats abroad of [consi]derable force, and more particularly in the [streights of] Mallacca, in consideration whereof, and the regard wee have for the wellfare of the people [com]mitted to our charge, Wee do hereby think fitt [to pro]pose the sending the Hampshire well man'd, Gun'd to Emoy or Canton, provided Silver can be procured at reasonable rates to the Amount of Eighty thousand Pagodas, not Exceeding [. . .] so as to defray the charge of the Ships freight [which] will bee seven Thousand Pagodas, and the same will bee ready to saile by the 15th: of next month farthest; So that all Persons who are willing to bee concerned either in the Joint Stock Res[pon]dentia, at 25 ℔ Cent, or Freight at eight ℔[cent] may repair to the Consultation roome in [the] Fort at any time between Eight, and twelve [in] the morning; and from four to six, in the evening where will bee ready to bee subscribed a [. . .] Paper for that End. Dated 22d: May 1702.

On the 19th: Instant the Portuguez Malitia, [the] 20th: one Company of Souldiers, the next day the other Company, and this day the Gunroome were handsomely treated with dinners under a large Tent spread in the inner Fort, and the Comission officers of the respective Comp. [in the] evenings supped with the Govern[rs]: for the rest noted in the Diary 18th: Instant.

Ketch Anjengo James Linsey Master arrived from Anjengo, who advices of a Piratt that had been on the Malabar Coast, supposed to bee the Upton Galley, and beleives is gone to the Streights of Malacca.

Ship Allee Bux Madena Serang arrived from Topatore with a Lading of Grain. 24TH:

This evening the Governour, and Councill & Train'd bands were splendidly Entertain'd with a supper att ye: Company's Garden; they having allso been under arms in our late troubles. 25TH:

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY TUESDAY 27TH:

Present

THOMAS PITT, PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Wee having offered the Ship Hampshire to Freight to China as Enter'd in our Consultation [of the] 22d: Instant, The Governour now advices the Councill that some ill-affected Persons to the Company's Interest had given out to prevent People from Freighting on her, that the Ships Company were avers'd going to China, and inclining to mutiny thereupon, upon inquiry into which the Author of the report is found to bee Mr Richard Carey, a Supra Cargoe of a small Ship, now bound to China, upon which both he, the Comander Purser of the Hampshire were sent for, by Governour, and Council, where the Comander affirm'd that Mr: Carey had told him, that he had heard that his ships Company [did] and were ready to mutiny upon hearing they were going again to China, which Mr: Carey own'd, and pretended he heard others, but could prove no Author for same, for at that time he spoke it to them 'twas impossible for the Ships Company [to] know any thing of their being designed [for] a Voyage, upon which it's infer'd that [he surrep]titiously rais'd the report to deterr people Freighting on her, for which he was repri[manded,] and dismist, as allso the Captain [whose] knowledge of all, or most part of us had an aversness to the Voyage, declaring when his time was out (which is not till 30th: January next) let him bee where he [will] he would go directly for England. [Richard] Carey exami[ned] [con]cerning the report [of the] Hampshires [mutin]ying.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.

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It does not appear to me if Mr: Carey hinder'd ship Hampshire from going to China.

THO: WRIGHT.

I am of the same opinion

THOMS: MARSHALL.

I am of opinion that Mr: Carey was no wayes a hinderance [to] Ship Hampshires going to China [. . .] [. . . .]

29TH Ketch Josiah Timothy Evans Master arrived from the West Coast, by whom received Generall Letter from York Fort dated the 28th: March last, and another from the Cheif &ca: Councill at Bantall (Tryamong Factory being removed thither) dated 21st Ditto &ca: Papers as ℔ List of the Pacquet, which advises [that] the Countrey then abounded in Pepper, but that they were short of money to purchase itt.

Letters from our Vacqueel att Court.

Received ℔ Pattamars Generall Letter, from Presidt: Beard &ca: Councill at Bengall dated 2, 5, 8 & 10 April last, confirming what they last wrote Noted in Dyary the 6 Instant, and since that our Masters servants at their Factoryes of Cassum buzar, and Rajamaul are confined, allso, the new English French, and Dutch, and a Generall stop to all Trade, by the same Pattamars received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated the 6th: Instant, when they then were all quiet, as allso at Metchlepatam, as by their Letter of the 16th: Ditto received therewith, but they advise 'tis the Generall report that Rustundile Cawn having received ye: Mogulls order is expected down there to put the same in execution.

30 The following order was signed by the Governr: and Councill Vizt:

The Warehousekeeper & Storekeeper are ordered to unload the Pepper &ca: on board Ketch Josia from the West Coast.

THOMAS PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.

JUNE TUESDAY 2ND

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT &C:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generalls from Bengall, Vizagapatam, Metchlepatam, York Fort & Bantall read. Bill of Exchange from Vizagapatam for 2,000 Rups: orderd to be paid by the Warehousekr. and Pag. 5,023: 19 Amot: York Fort bills &ca. to be paid out of cash.

Generall Letter from Bengall dated [2, 5, 8] and 10th: April &ca papers, advising of the troubles there, from Vizagapatam dated the [6th] May, from Metchlepatam dated the 16th & [. . .] from York Fort, dated the 28th March last [from] Bantall dated 21st Ditto &ca: Papers in each Pacquett all read.

The warehousekeeper is orderd to [pay] the President Two Thousand Rupees, [being for] one Bill of Exchange dated the 12th May[drawn]by the Chief &ca. Councill of Vizagapatam, Five thousand Pagodas, bee paid out of [cash] being for one bill of Exchange drawn by the Cheif &ca Councill of Metchlepatam dated 22d past month, allso Pagodas Five Thousand twenty three, and nineteen fanams bee paid the following bills of Exchange drawn by the Deputy Governour &ca: Councill of York [fort] and Cheif &ca: Councill of Bantall, as ad[vised] in the above Letters from those Places

York Fort Bills.

To Messrs: Meverell & Betts Ryls:	510.	P. 300: — :—	
To Thomas Pitt Esqr:	1261.	741: 27: 3	
To Messrs: Meverell, and Betts.	800.	470: 21: 1	
To Joshua Page	102.	60: — :—	
To St: John Bennet	2925.	1720: 21: 1	

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To Timothy Evans	997.	P. 586:	17: —
To Edward Bulkley	400.	235:	10: 3
To Mahmud Serang	100.	58:	29: 4
To John Vernon	273.	160:	21: 1
To Robert Coast	510.	300:	— : —
To John Collier	250.	147:	2: 1
	Ryus: 8128.	P. 4781:	6: 2
	Bantall Bills.		
To Thomas Pitt Esqr:	Ry 155: 2.	91:	16: 5
To Charles Bugden	256: 2.	150:	31: 5
	Ry ½412:	P. 242:	12: 4
	Totall Amount.	P. 5023:	19: —

The Storekeeper is ordered to provide such Amunition Stores in the Garrison for Vizagapatam according to a List sent thence, allso that he, and the Paymaster gett ready Stores, and necessarys to bee sent ℔ first oppertunity to York Fort, as ℔ a List remitted hither. [Storekeepr] order'd to provide [amnnition for] Vizagapatm: and [Pay] master stores &ca. for York Fort according to List [recd] thence.

Agreed that Ship Sarum bee wrote for, from Fort St: David, it being intimated thence they have no farther occasion for her as to the fears they are under from the Moors, and that the Deputy Governour &ca: bee ordered to lade on board what [bales are in readiness] [Ship Sarum] order'd to be [wrote for] from Fort St: David[. . .] all bales from thence [bee-laden on board].

Order'd that James Hopkins bee Enter[tain'd] in the Gunroome. Gunner Entertain'd

The impediment of bringing in Tobacco Beetle by the Moors, being over, It's resolved the Farmers thereof bee Accountable for protecting of the same from the primo Instant. Tobacco and Beetle ordered to bee collected.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received Generall Letter from Vizagapatam dated 12th past at which time the Country [round] abouts, was in tranquillity, allso received from Metchlepatam dated the 22nd: Ditto, [. . .] onely to advice of a Bill of Exchange drawn on the President and Council for Five thousand Pagodas.

Ship Blessing Thomas Brennock Coma[nder] sail'd on a Trading Voyage to China. 3

ATT A CONSULTATION THURSDAY 4TH

Present.

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATT: EMPSON THOS: MARSHALL
JOS: MEVEREL.

Ordered that Thomas Sherwin, be discharged the Gunroom att his request. Gunner discharged.

[4TH]

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Accots: for the month April last read. [Soldiers entertain'd.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper, reads his Warehouse Account for the month April last.

Order'd that Domingo Quealy, and Francisco Farrara bee Entertain'd soldiers in this Garrison.

Order'd the Paymastr.

Order'd that One Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

[Mr: Empson] reads his Accots: [. . .]

Mr: Matthew Empson read his Sea Custom Accounts for the month March last, ℔ticulars Viz[t]:

To Custom of Goods Imported. and exported—	P:	3910: 32: 93
To Custom on Grain—		656: 23: 45
To Anchorage—		30: —: —
	Pags:	4597: 20: 38

Pags: 1800, on that Acco[t]: [Maintenance to Charles Johnsons [widow] order'd. [Mr:] Bugden to goe 3d: at York Fort.

and pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Cash One Thousand, eight Hundred, Pag[s]: on that Acco[t]:

The widdow of Charles Johnson, who died Serjant at the West Coast, Petitioning an allowance of maintenance for hereself, and Child, it is ordered that the Paymaster pays what's Customary in the like cases.

Mr: Edm[d]: Bugden requesting in writing his inclination to serve the Hon[ble]: Company at the West Coast to proceed by the first Ship, It's agreed his request bee granted him, and that he bee appointed Third of Councill at York Fort, wee allowing Mr: Shaw the precedency, for the reasons Mr: Bugden gives of his not being duely qualify'd to carry on the Generall bookes.

Mr: St: Jno: Bennet order'd 31¼ Doll. for damage goods, on Ketch Josiah. Generall read.

Ordered that the Amount of Thirty one Dollars & a quarter be paid Mr: St: John Bennet out of Cash being for Ship Damage [goods] he carry'd to the West Coast from Bengall [on] Ketch Josiah, as appears ℔ a Certificate he [pro]duces, Enter'd next after this Consultation.

Mr: Bugden removed from being Secretary & [Mr:] H. Davenport order'd in his roome

Generall Letter from Fort St: David, 29th: May read.

The Present Secretary having often explain'd of the great fatigue in his Emp[loy] having Severell times requested to be discharged the same, accordingly itt was granted that Mr: Henry Davenport made Secretary in his Room, who tooke the usuall Oath of a [Secretary] and Enter'd upon his Employ, order'd Bugden deliver him all bookes, and Papers [as ℔] List and that the same bee Enroll'd [in the . . .]

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[s]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

These are to certify that upon opening one bale markt I.B. No. 4 (Laden on board the Josiah Ketch in Bengall in good order and well condition'd as ℔ Bills Lading) that there was Forty Peices of Gingham damaged, which appeard to us to [be] Ship damage, And that being sold at Publick Outcry the damage Amo[t]: to Thirty One Dollars, and one quarter, open'd, and sold in our presence. York Fort March the 20th: 170½ Wittness our Hands.

GEORGE SHAW.
ROBERT BROUGHTON.

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Ship Sallamut Row Coja Narrado Noquedah arrived from Carracull Laden with Grain.

ATT A CONSULTATION FRYDAY 5TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Hampshire order'd for Bengall.

The President and Councill of Bengall advising the troubles in their parts, requesting that wee would send to their assistance an Europe Ship or two, and not knowing that if it should so happen that wee have a Warr with France, it may prevent any Ships coming out, besides wee being frustrated in our expectation in Employing the Ship Hampshire againe to China, wee now resolve to send her to Bengall to be returned us with Provisions, and Stores in September, or otherwise disposed of, as the President, and Councill shall think fitt, and accordingly the Comander of the Ship was sent for, and ordered to provide his Ship to saile with all expedition.

120 Ca. redwood ordered for Bengall.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper load on board Ship Hampshire for Bengall One Hundred & twenty Candy Redwood.

Liquors order'd to be sent to Subordinate Factoryes.

Order'd that the following Liquors bee sent to the Subordinate Factoryes Viz^{t}:

Fort S^{t}: Davids
4 Chests of syrash Wine
30 doz of Madera

Metchlepatam
2 Chest of Syrash Wine
20 doz. of Madera
2 Casks of Goa Arrac

Vizagapatam
2 Chests of Syrash Wine
20 doz. of Madera

West Coast
6 Chests of Syrash Wine
40 doz. of Madera.

Mr: Edward Baugus permitted to go to Fort St: David to clear his Accots:

Mr: Edward Baugus having been for some years past stood Indebted to the Rt: Honble: Company pags: 437 : 9 : 3¾ in the Fort St: David Bookes, which has often been demanded of him the payment of which he has delaid, by promissing from time to time to adjust his Account, and not yet complying therewith, he was this day sent for, and suspended the Company's Service ex officio et beneficio till he adjust the same, and in order thereto he is permitted to goe to Fort St: David, and if he do's not adjust itt in some reasonable time the Attorney Generall will be order'd to prosecute him for the same.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd a Generall Letter ℔ Pattamar to the Deputy Governour & Councill of Fort St: David of Yesterdays date. 5

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SATURDAY 6

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT AND GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Order'd 3 or 400 Pags. be presented Abdull Labby provid'd takes off the stop at Fort St: David.

Wee receiving this day a Generall Letter from Fort St: David, the purport of which was cheifly relating to the Stop of our Trade continued at that Place, and that there was no probabillity of getting of the same, but by a Present of three or four hundred Pagodas to Abdull Labby, Governor of Porto Novo, and they allso representing to us, that the continuance of the Stop at this time wo[d]: hinder the Company of a considerable Amount in Customs, besides the Trade of the Place of necessity must bee carryed to Porto Novo the consideration of which has induced us to order the Deputy Govern[r]. and Councill to treat upon the same, and get the Forces withdrawn, if it can bee done for Three or four hundred Pagodas.

Paymaster ordered to buy 5 Can. copper to make Cash for the West Coast.

Ordered that the Paymaster provides Five Candys of Japan Copper forewith, and deliver to the Mintmaster to bee coined into Cash for the West Coast.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[S]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour &c[a]: Councill of Fort St David, ordering them to Present Abdul Labby to the value of Three or Four Hundred Pagodas, provided he withdraws his Guards placed: round their bounds, and permitts Trade to go on as formerly.

Dispatch'd a Generall Letter of yesterdays date ℔ Ship Adventure Cap[t]: Harper Comand[r]: to the Presid[t]: and Council of Fort William in Bengall, inclosing copyes of our Last Letters from Surat, with severall clauses of the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[y]: Letters to Bombay and Persia.

Ship Dolphin . . . . . arrived from the Moldevas.

9 Ship Success Cap[t]: Richard Williams Commander arrived from Suratt.

Ship S[ta]: Maria Coja Saffer Noquedah saild for Fort St: David.

TUESDAY 11TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT AND GOVERNR:
GABRIEL ROBERTS — FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Loyall Cooke arrived from China, on which came G: Roberts Esq[r]: Pacquet from the R[t]: H: C: opened.

Ship Loyall Cooke Cap[t]: Richard Boulton Comand[r]: arriving about eleven a Clock this morning, in this road from China, between 5 and 6 this Evening Gabriel Roberts Esq[r]: and Cap[t]: Boulton came ashore, the former brought the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company's Pacquet, which being now open'd, was found to contain as ℔ List Enter'd after this Consultation, and y[e]: Comp[y] Generall date, 14th: February 1700 was read, wherein they advise of Gabriel Roberts, Esq[r]: coming out Deputy Governour of Fort St: David, & second of y[e]: Presidency who tooke his Place accordingly.

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The Warehousekeeper is order'd to cause all the Treasure, Coppar &c^{a}: Goods to bee unloaden from ship Loyall Cooke. Warehousekeeper order'd to unload ship Loyall Cooke.

THO: PITT.
G: ROBERTS.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL,
JOHN MEVERELL.

List of the Camp^{ns}: Pacquet to the Fort by the Loyall Cooke, sent with M^{r}: Roberts.

1. Comp: Generall to the President, and Councill at the Fort, dated 14th: February 1700.
2. Copy of the Comp̃: Generall to Ditto, dated the 8th: of Jan^{ry}: 1700 sent by the Dutchess, and Pheenix.
3. Copy of the Comp̃: Generall to Ditto, dated 15th: Jan^{ry}: 1700 sent by the Dutchess.
4. List of Coast goods to bee provided Anno 1702 sent ℔ Pheenix and Dutchess.
5. Charterparty of the Loyall Cooke to [be] rec^{d}: from M^{r}: Robert &c^{a}: Supra Cargoes.
6. Copy of y^{e}: Comp^{s}: Gen^{ll}: to Presid^{t}: Pitt dat^{d}: 15th: Jan^{ry}: 1700.
7. Copy of the Comp̃: Generall to Ditto, dat^{d}: 24th: Jan^{ry}: 1700.
8. Copy of the Supra Cargoes Covenants for the Loyall Cooke.
9. List of Utensills carryed by M^{r}: Jones for necessaryes for the Mint att the Fort.

ATT A CONSULTATION SATURDAY 13TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT AND GOVERN^{R}:
GABRIEL ROBERTS FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL.

Ordered that one Thousand Pagodas, be paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster, for defraying Charges Garrison. Pa 1000. ordered ye Paym^{r}:

'Tis resolved that M^{r}: Roberts gives Essayes of the Company's Gold brought on the Loyall Cooke to the Essaymaster in order to have it coin'd. Essays to be taken of the Loyall Cookes Gold.

THO PITT.
G. ROBERTS.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 15

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
GABRIEL ROBERTS FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL.

Last night about 12 a Clock, the Governour was advised that Three of the Gunroom Crew, had deserted this Garrison, two of which lay under strong suspicion of Piracy, so the Governour ordered them to bee persued immediately by the 3 Gunroome Crew desert the Garrison,

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[15TH] who were immediately persued by the Peons, and this morning Capt: Seaton follow'd them thorow St: Thoma for wch: the Governr: there was disgusted, and order'd 100 Horse on the bridge to seize ye: Capt: at his returne. 100 Foot order'd out to secure Capt: Seaton returne, under the Comad: of Mr: Robert Pitt.

Company's Peons, and Talliars, and sent a message to the Governour of St Thoma, desiring him to apprehend them if they came thorow[*sic*] his Town. This morning Capt: Seaton persued them with some Peons, and enquired after them in St: Thoma, where he heard they had been, but where gone thence to the Southward whither Capt: Seaton followed them, but about 10 a Clock this morning the Governour Had advice brought him, that the Governour of St: Thoma was disgusted at Capt: Seatons going thorow his Town to search for deserters, for which reason he raised One Hundred Horse, and posted them upon the Bridge in order to seize Capn: Seaton at his returne, upon which the Governour imediately dispatcht the Mullay to St: Thoma, assuring him that if he offered at any such thing as seizing Capt: Seaton, that he wod: imediatly rescue him by force of Armes, and sent a Note to Capt: Seaton, to acquaint him therewith, and that he would take all possible means to avoid it, and that allso he would send one Hundred Foot to his assistance, which were immediatly rais'd, and marcht to Triblicane, under the Command of Mr: Robert Pitt, where he was order'd to halt, and put in execution the order deliver'd him, as Enter'd after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
G. ROBERTS.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO MR: ROBERT PITT CAPTR: OF A DETACHMENT OF FOOT FOR THIS PRESENT EXPEDITION.

You are order'd upon receipt of this to march with a Hundred men to the releife of Capt: Seaton, who wee hear the Governour of St: Thoma designs to seize, in order thereto have posted one Hundred Horse upon the Bridge coming out of that Town, you are to march directly hence for Triblecane, and there according to the intelligence you have, you are to proceed or returne, taking the Advice of your officers therein, and if [you should be certainly] advised that Capt: Seaton, is seiz'd, or detain'd, you are to march directly to the Governours House, and demand him, and if not delivered you are to use the utmost Force of your Armes to effect the same, or seize the Governr: and his sons, and bring them Prisoners hither, and this is your Commission, for your so doing. Dated in Fort St: George this 15th: June Anno 1702.

THOMAS PITT, GOVERNR:

The following order was signed by the Governour and Councill Vizt:

Ship Sarum yesterday arriving from Fort St: David the Warehousekeeper is order'd to unload all the Bales on board her, belonging to the Rt: Honble: Company.

THOMAS PITT.
GAB: ROBERTS.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Bengall Merchant [. . . .] sail'd for Bengall.
Ship Success Capt: Williams Comandr: saild in ye: night for Bengall.

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M^r: Pitt not having any intelligence of Capt: Seaton at Triblicane, and there being a great probability of a wet night, and no quarters to bee had for the men, it was ordered by the Governour, that they returne to the Garrison, And about 12 a Clock at night Captain Seaton arrived with two of the men, that made their escape, having taken them about Covelong 20 miles distance from Hence, the third returning [into] the black Town, when first persued by the Peons so the Governour committed them to Prison, till he considered of a punishment suitable to their crime. 16TH

Last night the Governour received Letters from Cawn Bauhaudar, and Wootemachund, both intimating that nothing can be done towards ending our late troubles, but by making a Present to the Mogull, to whom the former offers to deliver it himself in the Governours name, he allso inclosed a Letter to Dow'd Cawn, which the Governour this day forwarded with a Letter of his own. 18TH

Ship Monsoon Capt: Child Comander saild in the night for Bengall.

Ship Rivall Friggat Capt: Richard Rawlings Comander sail'd this morning on a trading Voyage to China.

Received a Generall Letter from the Cheif & Councill of Vizagapatam dated 26th: May last, advising the continuance of the Countrey thereabouts in peace, and quietness, as allso of arrivall there of y^e: new Comp Ship, called the Upton Galley, who stay'd no longer *there*, then to put some Letters on board a Ship of M^r: Holcomb's then in the road, so saild directly for Bengall. 20

ATT A CONSULTATION — MONDAY 22d

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R: PRESIDENT AND GOVERN^R:
GABRIEL ROBERTS
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

The Council being duly summon'd,

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Councill of Fort S^t: David, dated the 12th: Instant, and a Generall Letter from the Chief, and Councill of Vizagapatam dated 26th: May last, both now read. Generalls from Fort St. David and Vizagapatam read.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper payes into the R^t: Honble: Companys [Cash], Two thousand five Hundred Pag^s: on Account Silver, and Goods sold. 2,500 Pag. paid into Cash for silver & Goods sold.

There being Laden at the West Coast on the Josiah Ketch, Candy 147, of round Pepper, which upon weighing here is found to come short Can 4. 12 md. 6 lb. it's therefore ordered that the Warehousekeeper, do allow the Comand^r: the same, it being about the usuall allowance for wast. Master of Ketch Josia allowed for wast of Pepper on said Vessell from West Coast.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour & Councill of York Fort dated 19th: Instant to Paragraph 41 read, & approved. Generall to York Fort read.

Ordered that the Paymaster pay M^r: Collier what wages due to him, whilst he was on board the Ketch Josia. M^r: Colliers wages order'd to bee paid him.

M^r: Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Acco^ts: Sea Customs for the month of April last particulars Viz^t: Sea Customer reads his account for April last.

To Custom on Goods Imported and Exported ...	P^as:	1782: 18:	68
To Custom on Graine	„	505: 9:	25
To Anchorage	„	61: 18:	—
To Tunnage		27: 28:	—
	Pag^s:	2377: 1:	93

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Paymaster reads his account for March last.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster reads his Accounts for the month March last Viz^{t}:

Charges Garrison	Pa: 1949:	33:
Charges Cattle	90:	15:
Charges Generall	476:	8:
Charges Dyett	428:	23:
Charges Extraordinary	40:	7:
Silk Wormes	2:	32:
Fort St. David	145:	...
Ship Sarum	204:	26:
Fortification & repairs	34:	28:
	Pa: 3372:	23:

Pags: 1,000 orderd the Paymastr.

Order'd that One Thousand Pagodas bee paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

4 Guns orderd ashore from Ship Sarum.

Order'd that the Four Guns sent from hence on board the Sarum bee returned ashore.

Stores ready for Vizagapatm: orderd to be loaden on board the Sarum.

Order'd that the Storekeeper laid on board the Sarum what Stores ready for Vizagapatam, according to an order Consultation of the 2d: Instant.

2 Gunners Entertain'd

Order'd that Thomas Rider, and David Morgan bee Entertain'd in the Gunroome.

Mr: Dixon discharg'd from the Comand of the Sarum, and Mr: Collier order'd in his roome.

Mr: Dixon at his request is discharged from being Comander of Ship Sarum, and Mr: John Colliers, Entertain'd in his Roome.

Mr: Colliers bill from York Fort for Dolls. 442: 1: 1: order'd to be paid.

Mr: Collier having presented us a bill of Exchange signed by the Deputy Governour and Councill of York Fort, for Four Hundred, forty two Dolls: one Suco and one Satalley, of which wee have no advices, yet being satisfyed that tis their bill resolved that the same bee paid, Mr: Colliers giving his bond for the same, till advices thereof arrives.

Mr: Alexander Read, entertain'd Surgeon for the West Coast and Pa. 50 order'd to be paid him.

The Deputy Governour, and Councill of York Fort advising, that they want a Surgeon, for him who they have at present, designing suddainly to leave them, tis resolved that Mr: Alexander Read (late Surgeon of the advice Friggat) bee Entertain'd for the Service of that Place, at the Salary of the present Surgeon, and that there bee advanc'd him Fifty Pagodas, to be deducted out of his salary at the West Coast, he obliging himselfe to serve one year, and whenever he designs to quit the Employ, he is to give one yeares notice thereof, to the Deputy Governour.

Mr: Jno: De Lappe entertaind Secry: for your Fort. and to give his assistance in ye: bookes.

The Deputy Governour &cs: York Fort complains: very much the want of assistance to bring up the Genll: bookes, and Mr: John De Lappee tendering his service, who writes well, and is a good Accomptant, Hee is Entertain'd as secretary, for that Place, at the usuall Salary, and has promissed likewise to assist in the Bookes, he allso Covenants to serve Three years, and gives the usuall Bond, for the same,' tis therefore agreed that thirty Pagodas bee advanced him to provide him with necessaryes, to bee deducted out of his Salary at the West Coast.

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The Governour acquaints the Councill that Mr. John Berlu, had made application to him to bee reinstated in his former Post, at Fort S^{t}: David which was considered of, in regard to his understand^{g}: the Countrey Languages, 'tis agreed that he return'd thither, and take his Place there as last of Councill and that he bee reinstated in the Employes he formerly had.

Mr: Berlu liberty to goe to Fort S^{t}: David to be last of Councill & reinstated in his former employes.

THO: PITT.
G. ROBERTS.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

THURSDAY 25TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{r}: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{r}:
GABRIEL ROBERTS FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT THOMAS MARSHALL
The Councill being duly summon'd.

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas bee paid M^{r}: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

Pag. 1,000 paid y^{e}: Paymastr:

Ponnagettee Narso &c^{a}: Tobacco and beetle Farmers, pay's into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Six Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Pag 600: pd: into Cash by the Tobacco & beetle farmers.

The President reads his Account of the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash for the month of May last, Ballance Pag^{s}: 48783: 28: 1 and the Secretary reads his Account Fees for Passes for Ditto month Ballance being Pagodas Four, and payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Pag^{s}: 2·24 for their part.

Accot: of y^{e}: Comp Cash for the Moth: May read.
Accot fees for Passes read & Pa. 2·24 pd: on y^{t}: Accot.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper put up Two Thousand Rupees to bee sent on ship Bencoolen for the West Coast; and the Liquors order'd as ℔ Consultation 5th: Instant bee sent on said ship for y^{t}: Port.

Rup. 2,000 & Liquors order'd for the West Coast Pags: 1,200 Town rent order'd to bee paid.

The Governour of S^{t}: Thoma's servant having been with the President to demand the rent of this Town, being due the begining of this month, the Payment of which he deferr'd, he not bringing Cawn Bauhaudars, nor Kings Duan's order for the same, but promissed that when he brought either of their orders, it should bee paid, and accordingly it is agreed that the Twelve Hundred Pagodas bee paid with the usuall Present.

M^{r}: Berlu who is Register of the Court of Admiralty, having leave to returne to his Former Employ att Fort S^{t}: David, it's agreed that M^{r}: William Warr succeed him in that Employ, and that he goes to the Mayor and Aldermen, with the recommendation of the President and Councill to bee Register of that Court, it having been the practice of this Place, that one Register serve both Courts.

Mr: William Warr orderd Register of y^{e}: Court of Admiralty.

Order'd that the Storekeeper pay the President for Twenty Candy of Brimstone at the rate of 10 Pag^{s}: ℔ Candy.

20 Can: Brimstone ordere'd to be paid for.

Order'd that Benjamin Ellis bee Entertain'd a Souldier, and Petre Lelly Gunner of this Garrison.

One Souldier & a Guoner Entertain'd.

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Petition of Padre Don Willm: Della Valle Theotin, read. Petition of Serjt: Dixons read.

A Petition of Padre Don William Della Valle Theotin, to the Honourable President &c^{a}: Councill was read, and referr'd to farther consideration.

A Petition of Serjeant Dixson's to the Honourable President &c^{a}: Councill was read, and referr'd to further consideration.

THO: PITT.
G: ROBERTS.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M; EMPSON
THOM^{s}: MARSHALL.

JULY 1ST Ship Phœnix Capt: Carswell Comander arrived about 2 o clock this Afternoon from Gombroone in Persia, came in with her Colours halfe staff high, as a signall for the death of the Comander, about 4 in the Evening Capt: Carswell, and M^{r}: Hornage Purser came ashore who acquainted us that they buryed their Comander Capt: Lambert in Gombroone few dayes before their departure from thence, as allso Coja Paulo the Armenian Supra Cargoe. By whom wee have likewise received a Pacquett from M^{r}: Bruce Cheif &c^{a}: Councill there Dated 25th: May last, inclosing severall news Papers which they had lately received from Constantinople, but the latest advices they had received from thence was by Letters, which advise that the Two East India Companys were united, and that there was daily expectation of a Warr being Proclaimd.

THURSDAY 2D. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
GABRIEL ROBERTS — FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

M^{r}: Cranwell and M^{r}: Hordon orderd to Vizagapatam.

The Chief and Councill of Vizagapatam advising us their want of Assistance M^{r}: Robert Cranwell is ordered Third of that Factory, and M^{r}: Richard Horden Writer, and to take their Passage on Ship Sarum.

Pa: 400 pd: by M^{r}: Dubois in part of his debt to ye Compa.

M^{r}: Daniel Dubois payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp. Cash Four Hundred Pagodas, in part of his Debt to the R^{t}: Honourable Company.

Pa: 1500 pd: by the Warehousekr: on Acco^{t}: Goods sold at Outcry [on] acco: Joint Stock Merchts.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Comp. Cash Fifteen Hundred Pagodas on Account Goods sold at Outcry belonging the R^{t}: Hon Companyes Joint Stock Merchants.

Generall read. Goods come from Persia on ye: Phœnix order'd to be unloaden and Syrash wine to Bengall to be continued.

Generall Letter from Gombroone dated 25th: May last, read.

Order'd that the Paymaster do land the two Horses come from Persia on ship Phœnix, and that he allso unload the Wine &c^{a}: stores belonging to the R^{t}: Honble: Company come on Ditto Ship, and the twenty Chests of Wine consigned to Bengall, bee traverst from her on board the Sarum.

Paymaster order'd to take care of Capt: Lamberts effects.

Capt: Lambert Comander of ship Phœnix dying att Gombroone, and M^{r}: Bruce the Comp^{a}: Cheif there having consigned his Effects to the President and Councill here, Tis ordered that the Paymaster takes care of the same and dispose of them at Publick Outcry.

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[2ND]

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer reads his Accots: for two Months Vizt: Land Customer read his Accots: for month April & May

April—Choultrey Custom	...	...	...	Pa:	37: 14: 40
Town broakers ...	...	...	...	„	28: 27: 11
Registering Slaves	...	...	...	„	— 16: —
				Pa:	66: 21: 51
May—Choultrey Custom	...	...	...	Pa:	203: 9: 24
Rubie Broakers	...	..		„	298: 34: 01
Beetle Custome	...	...	...	„	169: 17: 70
Town Broakers	..	...	...	„	26: 33: 65
Registering Slaves	...	...	...	„	— 24: —
				Pags:	699. 11: 60

and payes into the Rt: Hon Companys Cash Seven Hundred and fifty Pagodas on that Account. and payes Pa: 750 on ye: Account.

Order'd One Thousand Pagodas bee paid Mr: Thos: Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison. Pds: 1,000 orderd to be [paid].

Order'd that the Steward buy Two Garce of Surat Wheat for the service of the Rt: Honble: Company. Two Garce wheat ordered to be bought.

By our last Letters from Metchlepatam the Cheif and Councill advise there was no trouble as yet, had reach'd them, and hope since it was so long deferr'd itt is all over, and the time of the year drawing on for expecting our Europe Ships, and to make preparations for an Investment of Twenty Thousand Pagodas in September, wee have agreed to send them Five Thousand Pagodas to Commence that Investment in such Goods the Company has orderd in a List for the year 1702. Troubles not reaching Metchlepatam, order'd to comence an Investmt: for 20,000 Pags: and why & Pa: 5,000 ordered to be sent thither.

Resolved the President payes the Warehousekeeper Five Thousand Pagodas, and that he ships the same on the Sarum for Metchlepatam. Presidt: to pay P. 5,000 to send to Metchlepatm.

Ordered that Manuel Lyall, Fransisco De Rosara John Domingo bee Entertain'd Souldiers, and Ishmall Williamson Gunner of this Garrison, and that Edward Barroone, George Answorth, and Manuel Rebearo, at their request be discharged the Gun Roome. 3 Souldiers and one Gunner Entered, and 3 Gunners dischargd.

The Loyall Cooke having brought severall Goods proper for Europe, such as Raw Silk, wrought Silk and Tea, which must be valued here at the price Currant, in order to adjust the Supra Cargoes Commission, resolved that the farther consideration of that matter bee deferred till Monday, and that the Secretary summons the Councill accordingly. The disposall of ye: Loyall Cooks China Goods, fitt for ye: Europe markets considered.

THO: PITT.
G: ROBERTS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Sta: Martha Coja Sapher Noquedah arrived from Fort St: Davids. 3RD

Sloop Abednigo arrived this morning from Trincombar Loaden with Grain. 4TH

This morning Mr: John Penford Senhr: Merchant in the Rt: Honourable Comps. Service, Dyed Suddainly, and was interred this evening.

Received a Generall Letter from the Deputy Govr: and Councill of Fort St: David dated 30th: June last.

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This evening arrived three Chubdars from Dowed Cawn with his Dusticks to all Killidars, Phousd^{rs}: Amenes, Corredees, Polligar^{s}: &c^{a}: belonging to the Cornatta Countrey, ordering them to deliver all money Goods or any thing else belonging to the English, seiz'd in our late troubles, and that our Trade go on according to Sallabad.

MONDAY 6TH

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT AND GOVERN^{R}:
GABRIEL ROBERTS — FRANCIS ELLIS
MATTHEW EMPSON — JOHN MAVERELL
M^{R}: WRIGHT AND M^{R}: MARSHALL *sick.*

Supra Cargoes of ye: Loyall Cooke delivers in their bookes of Accot: of her China Cargo. Accompt: ordered to be use ym: and they also pay Dolls: 1,399½ Bal Accot: Wch: Essaymastrs: receive.

M^{r}: Roberts Delivers in his Bookes of Accounts with Invoice and Bills of Loading of Ship Loyall Cookes China Voyage, which bookes, and Accounts are ordered to bee perused by our Accomptant here, and that he makes his report to the Governour & Councill of the same. Hee allso delivers in the Ballance of his Account, being Dollars 1,399½ which is now deliver'd the Essaymasters for the Essayes of the Loyall Cookes Gold, and to returne the overplus, on adjusting that Account.

Supra Cargoes of the Loyall Cooke their Commission on her Cargo resolved upon.

Wee having debated, and considered how to adjust the Commission with the Supra Cargoes of the Loyall Cooke, 'tis agreed as followeth

That the Sugar, and Sugar Candy bee disposed of at Publick Outcry, that the Raw Silk, wrought Silk and Tea bee sent to England on the first Ship and that the Supra Cargoes receive their Commission for the same, according to what Proffit shall be made on the ramaining part of the Cargoe Viz^{t}: Gold, copper Quick Silver, Sugar and Sugar Candy.

Essaymastrs: delivers in Essay of the Loyall Cooke Gold.

The Essaymasters having given in their Essays of the Gold brought on the Loyall Cooke, 'tis order'd that the same bee fortwith Coined.

Chief Merchant Tashereeft.

Checca Serapatt our Chief Merchant having had an Adopted son lately dead who was also one of our Merchants, and being Customary to Tashereef him, on his first coming abroad, agreed hee bee Tashereef with four yards of Scarlett Cloth.

Resolved an Investmt: be made at Vizagapatm: for Pa 20,000 in Long Cloth and Sallapores and Pa: 5,000 to be sent by the Sarum thither.

We having been detarded of late by the troubles att Vizagapatam, and what more might happen (if the Kings order served here should effect that Place) from Ordering any Investments to bee made, but the Season drawing on to make Provission for the September Ships, and they advising at present y^{t}: they are under no troubles; Wee have resolved to order an Investment there to the Amount of Twenty Thousand Pagodas, to consist Chiefly in Sallampore and Longcloth, or at least to bear a proportion wth: the great quantity of Betteelas sent up last year, and to enable the Chief, and Councill to make the aforesaid Contract. 'Tis resolved the President payes the Warehousekeeper Five Thousand Pagodas to send thither on Ship Sarum, which is now bound to that Port.

Generall read.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council of Fort S^{t}: David dated 30th: June 1702 Read.

Nabob Dowed Cawns Dustick read.

Translate of a Dustick from Nabob Dowed Cawn read contents thereof as Entered next after this Consultation.

THO: PITT.
G. ROBERTS.
M: EMPSON.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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TRANSLATE OF A DUSTICK FROM DOWED CAWNE TO RAMARAY CHUBDAR.

I do hereby order you to reprimand all Killedars Phousdars, Amenes, Corrodees, Polligars, and whomsoever else throughout the new Conquest as far as Corna[tta] have seized either money, Cloth, or anything else, appertaining to the English of Chinapatam, Tevenapatam and Cuddalore, Thomas Pitt Governour, and order that the same bee returned to them, and take their receipt for itt, and Certifie the aforesaid Officers, that hereafter their Trading is to goe on according to Salabad. Dated July 1st : 1702.

The same Dusticks to Chubdar Ramadishue for the Countrey of Ballagad to Cornatta under the Suba of Golcondah.

The same Dustick to Chubdar Lalmein for the Countrey of Poincaut belonging to Carnatta, under the Gulcondah Suba.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDINARY WEDNESDAY 8TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR : PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
GABRIEL ROBERTS — FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

The Complaint of the Phœnix's ships Compa : against their Comandr :, Chief mate had a hearing their complaint agst : the Cheif mate for this disabillity and against ye : Conr : for pinching them in their allce : Provisions.

The Governour yesterday receiving a sort of a Letter with a paper, signed by twenty nine of the Phœnix Ships Company commonly called a round robben, the purport of the Letter consisting chiefly of complaints, against Captain Carswell, and his Cheif mate Mr : Abbis. He immediately sent for the Captain and Purser of said Ship, that were here on shore, who seemed to bee surprized att it, saying that they knew nothing of the matter, upon which the Governour sent off an order to the Chief mate, as Entered after this Consultation about which the Captain, Chief mate, and five of the men appear'd before us this day, two of the five being the Boatswaine, and Gunner, of the Ship who complained Cheifly of the disabillity of the Cheif mate, that he knew not how to discharge his Duty in that employ, as allso of his abusing the men, their complaint Cheifly against their Comander, for pinching of them in the Provissions, he confessing before us that their allowance three times a Week is but a quart of Rice and Gram together for five men a day, but promisses for the future it shall bee rectifyed, so upon the whole examination of this business, wee find that the Gunner has been the ring Leader, who seems to be an impudent, Saucy insinuating Fellow, & beleive has been the sole occasion of stirring up the men to complain in this mutinous manner; The round robben as well as the Letter (as he himself confesses) was wrote with his Hand, so that to prevent the ill consequence that may attend such clamours, and the danger that threaten the Companys Estate to bee Laden upon her 'tis resolved that the Gunner and Boatswaine are discharged the Ship, as allso Daniel Bullfinch, and Pet[er] Middleton the two latter as the Captain tells us have been very Active in this Villiany, and for the present that the four aforesaid Persons be committed to the main Guard, till wee consider of afflicting such punishment as they deserve.

Gunner, Boatswaines and 2 Sailers discharged and ordered to the Main Guard.

THO : PITT.
G. ROBERTS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOMS : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To Mr : THOMAS ABBIS
CHEIF MATE OF SHIP PHŒNIX.

I have this day two Papers delivered me, the purport of them are complaints against Capt : Carswell, and yourself, signed by severall of your Ships Company,

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which Paper I send by the bearer, and order you to call over all those men, and acquaint them that 'tis my Command, that they appoint four or five men to come ashore, and represent their grievancyes before the Governour, and Councill from whom they shall find such redress as consists with Justice; and 'tis likewise necessary that you yourself come ashore to answere to such matters as shall bee alledged against you. Dated in Fort S^{t}: George this 7th: day of July 1702.

THOMAS PITT, GOVERN^{R}:

THURSDAY 9TH: ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^{R}:
GABRIEL ROBERTS — FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

Genll: Letters to Metchlepatam & Vizagapatam and Bengall read. Generall Letters to Metchlepatam, Vizagapatam Dated the 7th: Instant, and to Bengall dated this day read, approved, and signed.

What Customary in the Courts as to y^{e}: regist^{r}: M^{r}: Warr recommended to the Mayor &c^{a}: wch: recomendation they regarding not, a Paper orderd to be delivered them by y^{e}: Secry: Itt having been accustomary since the Erecting [of] Courts of Judicature in this Place, that the Register of the Admiralty Court was allso Register to the Mayor and Aldermens Court, and there having been lately a vacancy of that office, by the removeall of M^{r}: John Berlu to Fort S^{t}: David, in whose Room wee Elected M^{r}: William Warr, and recommended him to the Mayor as a proper Person for their Register likewise, he not anywayes regarding it, choose one M^{r}: Charles Alley in contempt of our recommendation, for which it is resolved that M^{r}: William Warr be Established by us Register of that Court, and that the following Paper (as Enterd after this Consultation) bee sent by our Secretary to the Mayor and Aldermen when assembled and that the Secretary by order of the President, and Councill send a summons to the Mayor and Aldermen in order thereunto, when the Secretary is to read it, and deliver itt to the Mayor.

THO: PITT.
G. ROBERTS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LOCUS SIGILLI. WHEREAS wee the President and Councill of this Place did on the 25th: last month Elect, and Nominate M^{r}: William Warr to bee Register of the Court of Admiralty, and at the same time ordered him to attend the Present Mayor to acquaint him therewith, and allso to tell him that the President and Councill did recommend him the aforesaid William Warr to bee Register to the Mayor and Aldermens Court as had hitherto been accustomary which recommendation was confirmed soon after by our Secretary to the Mayor, yet nevertheless the Mayor, and Aldermen in contempt of the same did on the thirtieth of June last proceed to the electing of another, and did choose Charles Alleyn for their Register, and as wee are informed without issuing out a due Summons for the attendance of all the bench for that end.

NOW WHEREAS the Company did wisely foresee and provide against such irregular proceedings as might bee occasioned thro' ignorance, malice, or contempt of their highest Authority in this Place, they have in their Charter to the Corporation reserved a power to themselves Generall & Councill of India, President and Councill of this Citty of Madrass to displace, Mayor, Aldermen, Justices, or inferiour Officers belonging to the Court, and to put others in their room, by

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virtue of w^ch: power and our highly resenting their Proceedings in Electing a Register, contrary to our Intimation, we here declare the Electing Charles Alleyn Register of their Court to bee Null and Void, and do positively appoint, and constitute the aforesaid William Warr Register to your Court, and do require, and Command you the Mayor, and Aldermen to accept him as such and wee declare him such to all intents, & Purposes. Given under our Hands, and the R^t: Honble: Comp Seale in Fort S^t: George this 8th: day of July 1702.

THOMAS PITT.
GABRIEL ROBERTS.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ship Jeirusalem Coja Mooraudoo Noquedah arrived from Bengall. 10TH:

Ship Sarum Capt: John Colliers Comand^r: belonging to the R^t: Honble: Company sailed for the Northern Factoryes, and Bengall by whom sent Generall Letters to the Cheifs, and Councills of Metchlepatam and Vizagapatam both dated 7th: Instant, and on to the President and Council of Bengall dated the 9th: Instant. 11

Sloop S^t: George M^r: William Weld Master saild for Vizagapatam.

Ship Dansburgh arrived from Pollicat. 13

Sloop Abednigo[*Lacuna in the original*] Stone Master sailed for Bengall. 15TH:

ATT A CONSULTATION FRYDAY 17TH:

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R: PRESIDENT & GOV^R:
GABRIEL ROBERTS
THOMAS WRIGHT MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL
M^R: FRANCIS ELLIS *sick.*

Gruapau &c^a: Arrac Farmers paid into the R^t: Honourable Comp^e: Cash the 10th: June last Four Hundred Pagodas, which was omitted to bee Entred in the Consultation booke till now. Pa. 400 pd: into Cash by the Arrac Farmers on that Accot:

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper payes into the R^t: Honble: Companys Cash Seventeen hundred Pagodas, on Account Goods sold at outcry belonging to the R^t: Honble: Comp^s: Joint Stock Merch^ts: Pa. 1,700 pd: into Cash by Mr Wright on Accot: Goods sold of Joint Stock Merchants.

Generall Letters to the Deputy Governour and Councill of York Fort, dated 23rd: June and 9th: July to the Cheif and Councill att Bantall, and to the Generall and Councill of Suratt dated 16th: Instant read, approved and Signed. Generall Letters from York Fort & Bantall read.

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas bee paid M^r: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison. Pa. 1,000 ordered the Paymaster.

Gruapau &c^a: Arrac Farmers payes into the R^t: Honourable Comp^s: Cash Pagodas Four Hundred on that Account. Pa: 400 pd: into Cash by the Arrac Farmers on that account.

Ordered that M^r: Thomas Marshall and Ro[. . .] Kelk looke over Capt: Lamberts Deceased Papers relating to the Persia Voyage. Capt: Lambert Papers ordered to be looked over.

Ordered that Thomas Reader, Alexander Woodman, Edward Daugaster, James Scou [. . .] and Francisco de la Mart at their request be discharged from farther Service in this Garrison and that John Cornish, John Johnson, Lew [is] Cordeilo Chasenta Deos, Antonio de Rosario, and Francisco Gomass bee Entertained Souldiers in this Garrison. 5 Gunners discharged and 6 Souldiers Ent^d:

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Secretarys report of the Paper delivered the Mayor &c[a]: The Secretary reports that according to the Order of the Governour, and Councill he had attended the Mayor and Aldermen with the Papers for dismissing M[r]: Alleyn from being Register and establishing M[r]: Warr in that Employ, w[ch]: was accordingly done by them, but before the Secretary had read to them the Paper, the Mayor was very desireous to see itt, saying he did not know, but it might Contain that which was not fitt to bee read, or him to hear, w[ch]: expressions wee can't but condemn to bee impudent and Saucy.

THO PITT.
G: ROBERTS.
THOM: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[S]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

18TH: Received ℔ French conveyhance a Generall Letter from the Generall and Councill at Surat dated 8th. and 23[d]: May last, advising that their troubles are not yett ended, but daily expected they will.

19. Ship S[ta]: Cruce Cap[t]: Senh[r]: Marcus Commander sailed for Manilha.

Ship Dansburg sailed for Trincombar.

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamar to the Generall and Councill att Surat Generall Letters dated 28th April, 16th: and 18th: Instant, the former being deferred sending till now, to advise that the restraint on the Companys Trade here was taken off, as allso a Generall Letter to the Commodore and Councill of Anjengo, dated 28th: April last.

20TH: Ship Dolphen [*Lacuna in the original*] Ford Master saild for Bengall.

The following order was signed by the Governo[r]: and Councill Viz[t]:

Ordered that Ketch Josiah bee sold for Pag[s]: 800 to Noquedah Ebrahim, itt being an extraordinary price, and no one offering more.

THOMAS PITT.
GABRIEL ROBERTS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

23D: Last night Ship London Cap[t]: Mathews Com[r]: came to an Anchor in this road, and early in the morning he writt the Governour a very civill Letter acquainting, that he belonged to the Seperate Stock that the Two Companys were united, with other Europe news, as allso of his having toucht att the Maderas, when whilst there hee received advices by a small Pink that the Colchester Cap[t]: Rouse, and Wentworth Cap[t]: Sax's both belonging to our Masters, and | w[ch]:] of the new Companys Ships were all past by that Island bound for this Coast and Bay. About 8 a Clock this morning the Govern[r]: sent [off] M[r]: Pitts to invite the Captain ashore.

27TH: Sloop Goodventure Nichola Simons Master sailed for Bengall.

Ship Bencoolen Cap[t]: Christopher Dixon Comander sailed for York Fort by whom sent a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Councill there dated 19th: June, 9th: and 25th: Instant, and a Generall Letter to the Cheif, and Councill at Bantall, dated 1st Instant.

Madrass Merchant [*Lacuna in the original*] Master saild this morning into S[t]: Thoma road, from thence she designes on a Voyage to Manilha and Macow.

Received ℔ Pattamars two Generall Letters from the President and Councill of Fort Will[m]: in Bengall, dated 23[d]: May, and 6th: June last, two Generalls from the Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatam dated 24th: June and 2[d]: July, two Gen[lls]: from the Cheif, and Councill of Metchlepatam dated 10th and 18th: Instant with Copy of their Contract for Pag[s]: 23812·18.

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Att a Consultation

Friday 31.

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr: President & Govern^{r}:
Gabriel Roberts
Thomas Wright Matthew Empson
Thomas Marshall John Meverell.
Mr Francis Ellis *sick.*

The President reads his Account of the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash for the month June last, the Ballance Pag^{s}: 39,322 : 13 : 5 :

Acco^{t}: Cash for the month of June read.

Ordered that M^{r}: William Dean be assistant to the Land Customer, M^{r}: John Rudge to the Warehousekeeper, and M^{r}: William Grosvener to the Paymaster, and that they all Enter into their severall Employes forewith.

M^{r}: Dean orderd under the Land Customer M^{r}: Rudge to y^{e}: Warehouse-keep^{r}: M^{r}: Willm: Groseven^{r}: und^{r} the Paymast^{r}:

Ponagettee Narso &c^{a}: Tobacco, and Beetle farmers payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Eight Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Tobacco & beetle farmers payes into Cash P. 800 on that account.

Generall Letters from the President & Councill of Fort William in Bengall dated 23^{d}: of May 6th: June, Generall Letter from the Generall and Councill at Surat dated 8th: and 23^{d}: May last, two Generalls from the Cheif and Councill of Vizagapatam, dated 23^{d}: June and 2^{d}: July two Generalls from the Cheif and Councill of Metchlepatam dated 10th: and 18th: Instant are all now read.

Generall Letters from Bengall, Surat, Vizagapatam and Metchlepm: read.

The Warehousekeeper is ordered to deliver the President Two Thousand Rupees being for one Bill of Exchange dated [*Lacuna in the original*] drawn by the Cheif &c^{a}: at Vizagapatam, and that Five thousand, four Hundred forty three Pag^{s}: fiveteen fanams, and two Cash bee paid out of Cash, being for Two bills of Exchange drawn by the Cheif, and Councill of Metchlepatam. One for Fourteen Hundred fourty three Pagodas fiveteen fanams, and two Cash, dated [*Lacuna in the original*] payable to the Honble: President, the other for Four Thousand Dated the 18th: Instant, payable to Kittee Narrain, as advised of in the aforesaid Letters from those Places.

Rup. 2,000 orderd to be pd: as also Pa: 5,443 15 for 2 bills of Exchange from Metchlepatam.

The Honble: President payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Eight Hundred Pagodas, being what the Josiah Ketch sold for, according to an order signed by the President and Councill the 20th: Instant.

[Pa:] 800 p^{d}: into [Ca]sh for [so] much the Josiah Ketch sold for.

Resolved that the Loyall Cooke bee a Septem^{r}: Ship for England, in order thereto 'its resolved y^{t}: the Warehousekeeper sends on board his proportion of redwood according to Charterparty and Eight hundred baggs Salt Petre, and that the Pepper he brought from Mallacca bee continued on board him.

[Re] solved y^{e}: Loyall Cooke [bee] sent home in Septem^{r}: Warehouse-keep^{r}: ordered [to] load redwood & Saltptere on board her.

M^{r}: John Affleck &c^{a}: Freighters of Ship Phœnix delivers in a Petition relating to severall wrongs sustain'd by Capt: Lambert, w^{ch}: is now read, and the consideration of it referred till tomorrow morning eight a Clock.

Freighters of Ship Phœnix deliver in a Petition.

Ordered that M^{r}: Thomas Marshall bring with him, to the Councill board, to morrow morning, all Papers that he has found amongst Capt: Lamberts, relating

Thomas Marshall orderd [to]

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bring wt: Papers he has found amongst Capt: Lambt: relatg: Persia Voyage.

to the Persia Voyage to see whether it agrees with Mr: Afflecks &c: Freighters Charge, for sundry sums of money [ex]torted from them, and what money he received for goods on Freight.

Warehouse-keepr: orderd to pack up Rupis: for Bengall & 1,000 chest coppar & repack Tea to send for England.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do forewith pack up in Chests all the Rupees in the Warehouse, and repack One Thousand Chests of coppar, each Chest to contain One Hundred thirty two pounds, in order to bee sent to Bengall, and allso that he rattan, and Gunny over the Tea come on the Loyall Cooke from China, making it in a fitt condition to bee sent for England.

Land Customer reads Accots: for the moth: June and

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer reads his Accounts of Land Custom for the month June last, the particulars Vizt:

Choultry Custom	Pa.	403 : 33 : 56
Rubie broakers	„	62 : 33 : 38
Town Ditto	„	13 : 14 : 5
Registring slaves	„	5 : 28 : ...
		486 : ... : 79

payes Pa: 400 on yt: Accot: Paymastr: reads his accots: for April.

and payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Four Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymastr: reads his Accounts for the month of April last Particulars Viz:

Charges Garrison	Pa.	1,590 : 24
Silk Wormes	„	6 : 14
Charges Extraordinary	„	123 : 9
Account Presents	„	5 : 20
Charges Dyet	„	393 : 25
Charges Generall	„	681 : 27
Charges Cattle	„	50 : 24
Mary Smack	„	66 : ...
Fortifications & Repairs	„	21 : 31
	Pags:	2,939 : 30

Souldiers Enter'd.

Ordered that Anthony De Allmaida, Salvidou Ferrera, and Peter Coucheen, bee entertaind as Souldiers in this Garrison.

Pa. 1,000 ordered the Paymaster.

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas bee paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Tho: Pitt.
G: Roberts.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

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Dispatch'd a Generall Letter of this dayes date to the Cheif and Councill of Metchlepatam.

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August Saturday 1st:

Att a Consultation.

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr: President & Govern^r:
Gabriel Roberts
Thomas Wright — Matt: Empson
Thomas Marshall — John Meverell
M^r: Francis Ellis *sick.*

The Loyall Cooke order'd to Fort S^t: David to carry M^r: Roberts &c^a: Secretary to draw out M^r: Roberts Commission.

Resolved that as soon as the Loyall Cooke has taken on board her the red wood & Salt petre that she proceeds to Fort S^t: David with Gabriel Roberts Esqr: &c^a: Companys Servants designed for that Place, and that the Secretary draws out a Commission for him, persuant to the R^t: Honble: Companys Letter dated the 14th: February 170$\frac{0}{1}$.

Pags: 30,000 ordered for Fort S^t: David.

Resolved that the President payes unto the Warehousekeeper Thirty thousand Pagodas in order to be sent to Fort S^t: David on y^e: Loyall Cooke.

Stores order'd for Fort S^t: David.

Ordered that the Steward Ship on the Loyall Cooke for Fort S^t: David the following Stores Viz^t:

Syrash Wine 6 Chests. Goa Arrac 6 Hogg^s: Rosewater. 2 Chests. Sugar 2 Canasters. Sugar Candy 1 Canaster. Wheat 100 Mercalls One bagg of Severall sorts of Persia fruit. Wallnuts 1 bagg.

Tho: Pitt.
G: Roberts.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thom^s: Marshall.
John Meverell.

Monday 3d:

Att a Consultation

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr: President & Govern^r:
Gabriel Roberts
Thomas Wright — Matt: Empson
Thomas Marshall — John Meverell
M^a: Francis Ellis *sick.*

Letter reed: read.

Generall Letter to Bengall of this dayes date read and approved.

[W]hat belongs to y^e: Choultrey among M^r: Penfords [Effects] orderd to be deliver'd (to M^r:) Meverell.

Ordered that whatever is found belonging to the Choultrey, amongst M^r: John Penford deceased effects, bee delivered to M^r: John Meverell Land Customer.

[Pa:] 8: 12: pd: by M^r: Berlu [on acco^t:] Court fees.

M^r: John Berlu Register of the Court of Admiralty, payes into the R^t: Honble: Companys Cash Eight Pagodas twelve fanams on Account fees of that Court belonging to the Company.

Freighters of Ship Phœnix heard as to their complaints ags^t: Capt: Lambert

This day M^r: Affleck &c^a: Freighters were heard as to their Petition against Capt: Lambert (Copy of which is Entered after this Consultation) upon which it did appear that the deceased Capt: Lambert had extorted great sums of money from the Freighters & likewise that he had received a considerable sume for freight of Goods, as allso loaded on his own Account near Fifty or threescore

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Capt: Lambert Loaded near 50 or 60 Tons.

Tons of gru[ff] goods, all which is confirmed by his own Papers, the Adjus[t]ment of which Account between Capt: Lambert deceased, and Freighters is referred to our next meeting.

Secry: ordered to take copyes of all Capt: Lamberts Papers relatg: Persia Voyage.

Ordered that the Secretary takes copyes of all Capt: Lamberts Papers relating to his Persia Voyage, and that the same bee attested upon Oath, before the Judge of the Court Admiralty, to bee true Copyes, by Capt: Carswell, Mr: H[or]nage and Mr: Kelk Capt: Lamberts servants.

The heads of the Gentue casts before Govr: &c.

This day wee had the heads of all the Casts, before us, to whom was read, and delivered in the Jentue Language a Paper, Translate of which is Entered after this Consultation, for the rais[ing] money for the black Town Wall.

THO: PITT.
G: ROBERTS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

To the Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr: President for Affairs of the Rt: Honble: English East India Company on the Coast of Choromandell & Governour of Fort St: George &ca: Councill.

The Petition of John Affleck &ca: freighters of Ship Phœnix.

May it Please your Honr:

Your Honour &ca: in behalfe of the Rt: Honble: Company having let out to your Petitioners ship Phœnix on freight for 400 Tons, and that your Petitioners should have the same priviledges as the Rt: Honble: Comps: themselves could claim according to Charterparty as ℔ Contract will appear, your Petitioners did accordingly provide in Bengall such a quantity of Goods as might suffice to freight said ship to Persia, but Capt: Thomas Lambert Comandr: of said ship did refuse to take in all the Goods that your Petitioners the freighters had provided but contrary to all Justice, and equity did receive on board severall other freight Goods to the great detriment of your Petitioners, on pretence of his own previledge about which the[y] had some discourse with the Capt: before they had taken the ship to hire, in the presence of the Honble: Governour who askt the Capt: what stock he had of his own, who answered about fifteen Hundred or two Thousand Pagodas, when the Governour as a means to prevent disputes, proposed to the Freighters to take the Captains money att Respondentia which with much adoe was agreed on and the Freighters accordingly took of him Two Thousand Pagodas att Thirty[five] ℔Cent which was much more then they made of. When the Captain quitted his Priviledge, but [told] the Freighters his Officers must carry something for their encouragement which was allso agreed to; [like] wise said Capt: Lambert, Capt: Carswell &ca: officers did lade on board said Ship in Gombroon a considerable quantity of Goods more then their accustomary Priviledges, farther Capt: Lambert contrary to the Contract made between your Honr: &ca: and freighters, did in Bengall force from your Petitioners Factor, for the use of the great Cabin, and Passengers the sume of Three thousand two Hundred ninety six Rupees besides his treating said Factors with such unkind usage as is not fitt to bee mentioned. Likewise Capt: Carswell succeeding Capt: Lambert did in Gombroon receive of the Passengers for their passage to Madrass near a Thousand Rupees claiming it as his own and refuses to make yor: Petitioners Satisfaction. Now may it Please your Honr: &ca: your Petitioners have fairly, and clearly represented their case to your Honour &ca: and in an intire

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confidence of your Hon^{rs}: &c^{a}: complyance with your contracts are ready to prove the particular damages they have sustained by the extravagant abuses of Capt: Lambert &c^{a}: not doubting but to receive from your Honour &c^{a}: a just redress of said greivances as your Honour &c^{a}: in your Wisdom, and prudence shall think fitt, in whose approved Justice your Petitioners shall ever Humble acquiess.

July 22^{d}: 1702.

Yo^{r}: Hon^{rs}: most Humble and most Obed^{t}: Servt:
John Affleck.

The Governour and Council having at the frequent requests of the Cheifs of the Jentue Casts, disburst money out of the Comp^{a}: Cash towards the Charge of Fortifying the Black Town, which was solemnly promis'd by them should bee repaid, by a Generall tax on themselves about which there has been severall meetings but nothing effected, and whereas the fortyfications of the Black Town are in good part finish'd w^{ch}: tends much to the security, and advantage of the Inhabitants thereof more especially the richer sort who cannot but bee sensible of the same, so doubt not that they will chearfully contribute to the charge thereof, in order to which wee have directed this Paper to bee deliver'd to the Chief of each Cast, who are forewith order'd to summon their Cast, when this Paper is to bee read to them and every man permitted to subscribe what he will give voluntary towards the aforementiond Fortifications, and such sum's to bee paid as his Subscription to the head of the Cast, and such [others] that refuse to subscribe, their names are to bee taken in a List apart, and given in to the [Governour] that so a speedy course may bee taken wth: them.

Itt is allso required by the Governour & Councill that the Cheifs of the Casts do not embez'le any of the money collected for the aforesaid use under the severest penalty, and that they extort noe money from the poorest sort of people, the aforesaid Fortifications being Cheifly raised for the benefit of the ritch, and 'its further order'd that what money received for the use aforesaid by the Cheif of the Casts, bee paid from time to time unto the Paymaster M^{r}: Marshall, and fore[with] with this order to bee put in Execution.

Rec^{d}: a Gen^{ll}: Letter from Fort S^{t}: David dat^{d}: 31st: July.

Ship Sedgwick Capt: Plumb Com^{r}: saild for Atcheen & Pegu.

Att a Consultation — Thursday 6th.

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr: President & Govern^{r}:
Gabriel Roberts — Matt: Empson
Thomas Wright — John Meverell
Thomas Marshall
Mr Francis Ellis, *sick.*

Gruapau &c^{a}: Arrac Farmers payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Four Hundred Pagodas on that Account. — Pa: 400 pd: into Cash by Arrac farmers on that Acco^{t}:

M^{r}: Scarlett desiring leave to goe to Fort S^{t}: Davids for recovery of his Health, it's agreed that he proceeds thither on the Loyall Cooke. — [Mr:] Scarlett leave to goe [to] Fort St: David.

Ordered that Ventura Ferera be Entertain'd a souldier in this Garrison. — Souldr: entertaind.

There being offered Nine Pagodas ℔ Candy for Sugar, and sixteen for the Sugar Candy brought on the Loyall Cooke from China, 'tis agreed the same bee sold, and that the Warehousekeeper deliver it accordingly. — Sugar & Sugar Candy on ye: Loyall Cooke.

There being here various reports on shore about the discontents amongst the men of the Phœnix's Ships Company, who 'tis said they should declare, that lett the Governour & Councill settle matters as they pleased here, if it were not to their liking, they would alter it as they pleas'd when they came to sea, for which reason, and that wee may the better come to know the just cause of their — Messrs: Empson & Marshall orderd on board ship Phœnix to examine ship

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Compa: and report the same.

discontents, Tis resolved, & Agreed that Mr: Matthew Empson, and Mr: Thoms: Marshall two of the Councill go off to-morrow morning on board of the Phœnix, and take off with them the Captain, Purser, and Chief Mate of the said Ship, and that the Secretary delivers them the round robben signed by that Ships Compa: and the Letter that came with it, where they are to call over, and examine each man that signed to it, and enquire into the particular causes of the discontent, and report the same to the Governour.

Freighters of the Phœnix charge dehaited & referred.

This day wee debated the particulars of Mr: Afflecks &ca: Freighters Charge against Capt: Lambert Deceased, and deferred the adjustment thereof to our next consultation.

Freight of Capt: Lamberts Goods from Persia ordered to he paid.

Whereas Mr: Bruce in Persia has shipt on board Ship Phœnix Two Hundred Sixty Nine Chests, Bales, and baggs, belonging to Capt: Lambert Deceased, and consigned the same to the Governour, and Councill of this Place, wch: they ordered to bee deliver'd to the Paymaster for sale thereof, & the Freighters complaining of the great quantity of Goods put on board on Capt: Lamberts Account, and Ninety eight Chests, Bales, and baggs by the Ships Company Tis resolved One Hundred Chests Capt: Lambert bee freight free, and that the Paymaster payes freight for the remainder according to Custom and for the Ninety Eight Chests amongst the Ships Company, ordered that Capt: Carswell gives us a particular Account to whom they belong, that so every man may have a proportion of the Priviledge allowed the ship, and pay freight for the remainder.

Capt: Carswell orderd to pay wt: money recd: for Passengers. Pa: 1,000 orderd the Paymaster.

Ordered that Capt: Craswell bee accountable to the Freighters for what money he recd: in Persia for Passengers; reserving to himself the priviledge of his Round House & Cuddy.

Ordered One Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster, for defraying Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
G. ROBERTS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

7TH.

Ship Sedgwick returned into this Road about eleven a Clock this morning, she having sprung a Leake just as she was out of sight of Land, Wm: the Commander thought itt not prudence to proceed on his intended Voyage to Atcheen & Pegu.

THURSDAY 13TH.

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:

GABRIEL ROBERTS	MATTHEW EMPSON
THOMAS WRIGHT	JOHN MEVERELL
THOMAS MARSHALL	

MR: FRANCIS ELLIS, *sick.*

Warehousekeepr: reads his Accots: remains ends: April last, & his monthly Accots: for May, June & July & Payes Pa: 477, 32, as ye: balle: of ye: Merchts: goods sold at outcry.

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Accounts Remaines of Sundry's in the Warehouse taken the last of April, as allso his monthly Accounts for three months, May, June & July and payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Four Hundred Seventy seven Pagodas, and thirty-two fanams, being the Ballance of an Account, Goods sold at Outcry, belonging to the Rt: Honble: Companys Joint Stock Merchts:

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Messrs: Matthew Empson, and Thomas: Marshall delivers in their report in writing (as Entered after this Consultation) of their enquiry into the differences amongst Ship Phœnix's Compa: Messrs: Empson & Marshall delivers in their report of Ship Phœnix Compa; Stores ordered to be got ready by the Warehousekeepr: & Storekeepr: to send to Fort St: David.

Order'd that the Warehousekeeper, and Storekeeper get ready, and Ship and on board the Loyall Cooke for Fort St: David the following Stores Vizt:

Fot.

Wax 1 Candy, Scarlet 2. ps: Timbers from 18 to 20. 20. Gunnyes 3000. In Ropes 15 Ca. Twine 2½ Candy-Wax cloth 50 ps: Carriage Plank from 3 to 6. 20 or 30. Trucks, Flint Ware &cs: for Presents. 50 Portuguez Common Prayer Bookes.

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Accounts of Sea Customs, for the months of May, and June last Vizt: Sea Customer reads his Accot: of the Sea Customs for the months of May & June and

May

To Custom of Goods Imported and Exported this month.	P:	2,175 : 21 : —
To Custom on Grain		156 : 14 : 5
To Anchorage—		27 : — : —
To Tonnage		19 : 16 : —
To Salvage for an Anchor		8 : 18 : —
To freight of Sugars from Metchlep		57 : 25 : 70
	Pa.	2,444 : 22 : 75

June

To Custom on Goods Imported and exported this month ...	P:	1,689 : 30 : 74
To Custom on Grain		569 : 33 : 70
To Anchorage		54 : — : —
To Tonnage		22 : 8 : —
	Pags:	2,336 : — : 44

and payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Five Thousand Pagodas on that Account. Payes Pa: 5,000 on that Accot:

Ordered that Francisco Paiss be Entertain'd a Souldier in this Garrison, and that Titus Owen, and Peter Peterson at their request be discharged the Gunroome to serve on board Ship Phœnix. A Souldier Entertaind 2 Gunners discharged.

Order'd that Six Thousand Pagodas be paid out of Cash to the Supra Cargoes of Ship Loyall Cooke, on Account of their Comission on her China Cargoe. Pa: 6,000 pd: the Supra Cargos of Ship Loyall Cooke.

Tho: Pitt.
G. Roberts.
Tho: Wright.
M: Empson.
Thoms: Marshall.
John Meverell.

To the Honble: Thomas Pitt Esqr:
President, and Governor of
Fort St: George &cs: Counsil.

In persuance of an order of Consultation of the 7th Instant wee went on board Ship Phœnix, and on examination of the Ships Company, do find a generall prejudice against Mr: Abbis Cheif mate of said ship, but inquiring into the particular reason for the same, think he has given them no just reason of complaint.

There appear'd, but one man against him, of the whole Ships company, that complaind of any severe drubbing, which wee leave to your Honour &cs:

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Judgment to determine whether he deserved it or not, this complaint was made by Robert Marsingal a Quartermaster who declared that the Cheif mate had in the Voyage from Gombroone to this Place, drubbed him with a small Cane, without a just cause, but itt was justified by one of the Ships Company as well as the Mate that he refused to obey his Command, saying he would not work till he was satisfyed who was to pay him his wages.

There was three or four frivilous complaints brought against him, but so triviall as not worth the inserting here.

Most of the men complain'd of the Shortness of their Provissions during the whole Voyage, which your Honr: &cª: has been fully informed of.

Enquiring of the second mate &cª: Officers the reason of this hatred against Mr: Abbis were informed that he for want of a good Boatswaine &cª; officers is forced to goe forward to see the Ships business done, by which means he has gained the ill will of severall of the men and not (in their opinion) by any severe usage to them. Dated in Fort St: George this 8th: day of August 1702.

MATT: EMPSON.
THOMª: MARSHALL.

ATT A CONSULTATION

FRYDAY 14TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNª:
GABRIEL ROBERTS
THOMAS WRIGHT — MATT: EMPSON
THOMAS MARSHALL — JOHN MEVERELL.

Instructions to Mr: Roberts &cª: read.

Instructions to Gabriel Roberts Esqr: &cª: Councill att Fort St: David, dated the 12th: Instant now read, and approved.

Generall Letrs: recd: read.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governr: and Councill of Fort St: David dated 31st: July last now read.

3 Gnnners discharged.

Philip Soule, Ishmall Williamson, and Benjamin Hinton at their request are discharged the Gunroome, for to serve on board Ship Phœnix.

Capt: Lamberts Papers perused, find bnt 1/3 of wt: sold in Persia, returned.

Upon Perusing Capt: Lamberts papers, and finding an account of Sale of wt: goods he carryed from Bengall, and not above one-third part of the produce

Capt: Carswell examind who pretend to know nothing.

thereof returned hither upon which wee sent for Capt: Carswell, Mr: Hornage, and Mr: Kelk to examine them upon itt, who pretend to know nothing of it, saying that they thought Mr: Bruce who brought all the Captns: Goods, had made

Goods returned Amot: but to Sha: 35197, whereas goods sold in Persia Amot: Sha: 111000.

full returnes to the Governour and Councill here, whereas the Invoice comes, but to thirty five thousand one hundred ninety seven Shaheesmne (*sic*) and the sale of his goods, and others that he was intrusted with amount to upwards of one hundred and eleven thousand, so the better to direct our judgments in this matter

the Paymastr: Capt: Carswell &cª: orderd to ꝑuse ye: Papers & state an Accot: & report it.

'tis ordered that the Paymaster, Cap. Carswell, Mr: Hornage and Mr: Kelk peruse all Captain Lamberts Papers, and from them state an account between Capt: Lambert, and Mr: Bruce, and report the same.

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Freighters of Ship Phœnix & Capt.: Lambert, Decr: Accot: stated, &

Wee having stated the Account between Capt: Lambert, and the freighters of Ship Phœnix and in regard that Capt. Lambert is dead, have done all, so much in his favour as 'tis hardly answereable to reason or justice, for that he has barborously used the Freighters in extorting money from them, and Loading what goods he pleased contrary to his Charterparty, the particulars of which is Entered in this Consultation, by which Account he stands Indebted to the Freighters Ten Thousand and twelve Rupees, wch: wee order to bee paid to Mr: Affleck, and Coja Paulos Excutors &ca; freighters, by the Paymaster who is ordered to take care of the aforesaid Capt: Lamberts effects.

Rups: 10012 awarded to the freighters.

Allowance of Dyet money increased.

There having been severall complaints from such of the Companys servants as are marryed of the small allowance of Dyet money being little more then what is allowed to meniall servants, and the Gentlemen of the Council having noe more, 'tis therefore agreed that for the future that such as are marryed, and are of Council here, bee paid Ten Pagodas ℔ mensem to commence from the begining of next month, the ministers eight, and the rest of the Companys Servants six Pagodas, and this order to stand till the Company approve or disapprove of the same.

Capt: Thomas Lambert Deceased Dr.

	Rups. As P.
To Sundry Sums of money extorted from the Freighters of Ship Phœnix for the great Cabin, Passingers, Hoisting in Goods &ca: and the Freight of goods he underhand tooke in at low rates, and applyed the money to his own use, all wch: appearing by his own Papers, as allso the vast quantity of Gruff Goods, that he carryed on his own Accot: Amounting to 42½ Tons with other injustices he did the Freighters in the aforesaid ship to Persia are as followth:	
To what he extorted for Hoisting in of Goods, Passengers &ca: as appears by own Account wch: the Freighter paid rather than he would ruin the Voyage, depending upon having justice on his return to Madrass, being advised to itt by the President and Councill in Bengall, the proof of the receipt of this money, appears by one of his own papers No: 10	3294 — : — : —
To Freight of 96 bales he took in of Coja Surhaads for wch: he received as ℔ Mr: Sheldons Account Currant wth: him No: 18: and Coja Surhaad Letter No: 12 & Mr: Sheldons Lettr: No: 13	2000 : — : —
To twelve bales mentioned in the two foregoing Letters which belonged to another Armenian, what freight he received for them wee find not in Capt: Lamberts Papers, but charge them as Coja Serhaad mentions in his Letter, to which wee give no Credit, knowing itt to bee an under Freight, but to avoid censure, wee charge them, but Twenty Rupees ℔ Bales ...	240 : — : —

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	Rs.	A.	P.
To Respondentia on 5534 Rupees being the Amount of what he extorted from the Freighters, for which he is to allow them thirty one ℔ Cent advance being the same which they paid Capt: Lambert Respondentia as appears by the bonds he forced them to give for the money which Amounts—	1718:	8:	—
To what loss'd on 924 ps: of Gunnyes wch: Capt: Lambert refused to take in, turning the boats from the ships side notwithstanding his ship was not near full, for yt: they coild the Cables in the hold, & took in 30 Candy Pepper at Anjengo, the losse by not taking in the aforesaid Gunys computing them at 12 Rups: a hundred less then he sold in Persia, which is proved by Capt: Carswell and the Purser ...	277:	—:	—
To freight of 30 Candy Pepper taken in at Anjengo at an under rate of 15 ℔ Cent, whereas it is 18 to 20 ℔ Cent freight from the West Coast hither, for wch: hee received as by Acco: under his hand appears Sha: 3060-s at 8 Sha: ℔ Rupee as ℔ his account to Mr: Brabourne.	382:	8:	—
To Freight of severall Gruff Goods, from Bengall to Persia particulars thereof, as ℔ Account annex'd, computing it after the rate of ye: Comp. Tonnage (Mr: Bowyears goods included, who has given a note to indemnify Capt: Lambert as appears in his papers No: 7) the whole Tonnage amots: to 42 Ton. 1262 lb. out of which he's allowed freight free 12 Ton 1262 lb. besides severall goods carryed by the officers of the ship, and notwithstanding the freighters tooke his money at respondentia to prevent his claim to any priviledge, so that he is charged here out for 30 Ton and that after the rate the freighters pay for the whole ship wch: is 8000 Pags: for 400 Tons, wch: is a great hardship upon the freighters, and an unprecedented favour to Capt: Lambert the amot: is 600 Pa. at 340 rups: for 100 Pags: is—	2040:	—:	—
To freight of a bale of romalls of Mr: Bowyears not inserted in the freight of the goods beforementioned—	20:	—:	—
To Freight to 2 bales of Mr: Skeldons as ℔ his Invoice No: 17	40:	—:	—
Rys:	10,012:	—:	—

THO PITT.
G: ROBERTS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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14 This day about noone we received a Generall Letter from the Cheife and Councill at Metchlepatam dated 3rd: Instant advising us the unhappy news of Ship Norris being burnt, by the carelessness of the Stewards drawing off a cask of Brandy wch: tooke fire, and set the ship immediately all over in a blaze, 33 Persons were saved in the Pinnace, amongst whom was two Women, the Capt: and about ninety soules were lost with the ship, this misfortune happening within 12 Leagues of Metchlepatam, her Cargoe was valued at about £ 1,50,000 of which there was 1,30,000 in Treasure, she sailed out of the Downes on the 10th: of March and two dayes before she had the unhappy news of the Kings death, they allso advise of their meeting the Wentworth off of the Cape, (bound for Fort St: George) where she went in, but they touch no where.

15 Dispatch'd a Generall ℔ Pattamar to the Deputy Governour and Councill of Fort St: David dated this day.

17 Ship Christian Quintiss Capt: Long arrived from Trincombar.

Att a Consultation

Monday 17th.

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr: President & Govr:
Gabriel Roberts
Thomas Wright — Matt Empson
Thomas Marshall — John Meverall
Mr: Francis Ellis, *sick.*

Ponagettee Narso &cs: Tobacco, and beetle farmers payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash seven Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Pa: 700pd: into cash by the Tobacco & beetle farmers on that account.

Mr: John Affleck &cs: freighters of shipe Phœnix to Persia payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Eight Thousand Pagodas for the freight of said ship.

Pa: 8000 pd: into Cash for the freight of Ship Phœnix to Persia.

The Phœnix who arrived here the 1st: July, has lain here chiefly to settle the Account between Capt: Lambert deceased, and the freighters, and to settle the distractions in the Ships Company, as well as the expectation of the arrivall of the Europe Ships, that so by the Companys orders, and advices, wee may the better know how to dispose of the ship, but they not arriving wee have resolved this day that she shall proceed to Bengall with some redwood, Coppar and Treasure, in hopes that they'l procure a Freight for her from thence for Persia or Mocha, or returne hither with stores &cs: for the Garrison, against which wee will use our utmost endeavours to freight her for England.

The reasons why ship Phœnix has been detain'd here so long.

Resolved the Phœnix he sent to Bengall with redwood, Coppar & treasure to be sent to Persia or Mocha or returned hither.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper load on board Ship Phœnix for Bengall One Thousand Chests Coppar, one Hundred Candy Redwood, and Rupees.

Warehousekeepr: orderd to load upon her redwood &cs:

Capt: Matthews Comandr: of the ship London desiring leave to coine some silver here, amogt: which is Maxico Dollars oz seven thousand eight Hundred ninety eight, and five penny weight, propper for the West Coast, wch: in proportion to what other silver he coines, charges of the mint deducted, amounts to Eighteen thousand eight Hundred fifty eight Rups: six annas wch: sume the Warehousekeeper is ordered to pay him, wee intending to send the Maxico Dollars to

Capt: Matthews desires leave to coine his silver. Maxico Dolls: oz 7898·5 orderd to be bought for the West

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Coast & send on the Hampshire, the Warehousekeeper to Pay for the same.

the West Coast on y^e: Hampshire w^th: what bales wee can provide against her returne from Bengall, and there to fill up with Pepper.

Mr: Bridges leave to go to Fort St: David.

Mr: John Bridges returning from China with Mr: Roberts, who is now going Deputy Governour of Fort S^t: Davids, desires to reside with him there as a Companys Servant, which request is accordingly granted him.

Mr: Marshall &ca: produces an Accot: stated by them between Capt: Lambert decd: and Mr: Brnoe, and Balle of said Accot: due from Mr: Bruce Sba: 68444: 7. Paymastr: orderd to mustr: ship Phœnix: Company.

Mr: Marshall, Capt: Carswell, Mr: Hornage and Mr: Kelk Capt: Lamberts Servants having perused the Papers, and Accounts of the Deceased Capt: Lambert, according to an order of Consultation the 14th: Instant, and to the utmost of their judgments, & to what appeard before them from Viewing aforesaid Papers, stated an Account between Capt: Lambert Decd: and Mr: James Bruce in Persia, by which 'tis found that Mr: James Bruce is Indebted to the Estate of Capt: Lambert Shahees Sixty eight Thousand, four Hundred forty four, and seven Gauz concerning which 'tis resolved that wee write to Persia by all opportunity to demand the same.

Ordered that the Paymaster muster the Phœnixes Ships Company.

THOMS: MARSHALL. THO: PITT.
JOHN MEVERELL. G: ROBERTS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.

18 Ship Mahomud Noquedah Asseem sailed to Quaudah.

Ship Loyall Cooke, Capt: Boulton Comandr: sailed for Fort S^t: David, on which went Gabriel Roberts Esqr: Deputy Governour for that Place, and severall of the R^t: Honble: Companys servants ordered thither.

19TH Ship London Capt: Matthews Comandr: sailed for Bengall, by whom sent a Pacquet to the Honble: John Beard Esqr: President &c^a: Council there.

THURSDAY 20TH

AT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
MATT: EMPSON THOMAS WRIGHT
JOHN MEVERELL THOMAS MARSHALL
MR: FRANCIS ELLIS, *sick.*

Mr: Charles Fleetwoods West Coast Accot: with the Company stated.

Mr: Charles Fleetwood formerly Deputy Governr: of the West Coast delivered in a Petition for leave to goe to Anjengo, he intending to go thence to his Brother Consull at Grand Caro, and for what he is Indebted to the Company he offers his Bond, as not being able to pay one Pagoda, of which being well assured, and considering the detaining him here, the Company would most certainly loose every penny of the Debt, whereas giving him liberty they may bee some hopes of repaying the same, or recovering itt of his Security in England, his debt arrising from a charge drawn up against him by Mr: Barwell in year 1694, itt Amounting to Dolls: 9892. 1 Fa for which he was sewed in the Court of Judicature here when they cleared him of Ps $\frac{8}{8}$ 2953-3. and gave Judgment against him for 6938 Dol: 3. 2. from which Judgment he appeal'd to the Governour & Council who upon thorough examination of his Accounts have discharged him of Dolls: 3713. 1suc: which with what he paid into the Companys Cash at the West Coast as ℔ Account appeares there remaines due to the Company 2260 Dolls: 3suc: I[tol]: for which he has given the bond aforementioned. This Account had been sooner

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adjusted, but that Mr: Fleetwood from time to time, pretended that by searching Bookes, and Papers, he doubted not but to clear the whole Charge, which to say no more was severe upon him, thô wee can't excuse Mr: Fleetwood from being guilty of profound slothfullness, and carelessness.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

SATURDAY 22D

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS WRIGHT
JOHN MEVERELL. THOMAS MARSHALL
MR: FRANCIS ELLIS, *sick.*

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster delivers in the Muster Roll of Ship Phœnixs Company, being fifty eight men, and boyes, with ten Lascars entertained in the Countery. — Paymasters report of Ship Comps: being 58 men and boys wth: 10 Lascars.

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison. — Pa: 1,000 ordered the Paymr for

Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper payes into the Rt: Honble: Companyes Cash One Thousand Pags: on account Goods sold out of ye: Warehouse. — Pa: 1,000 pd: into Cash by the Warehousekr: for goods sold.

Ordered that the Paymaster do provide, and send One Hundred bottles of strong Waters to Nabob Dowed Cawn. One Chest of Rosewater to the Duan One Chest of Ditto to the Buxee. — Present to Dowd Cawn &ca: orderd to be provid by ye: Paymaster.

Mr: Sheldon having sent Goods to Persia by Capt: Lambert, as ℔ his Papers appeares, ordered that the Paymaster makes up an Account of the same and pay the Ballance to Mr: John Affleck being Mr: Sheldons Attorney. — Paymaster to pay out of Capt: Lamberts effects the Amot: Goods sent by Mr: Sheldon by him.

The President as Mintmaster payes into the Rt: Honble: Companyes Cash Fifty four Thousand nine Hundred sixty eight Pagodas, and twenty four fanams, being the produce of the Loyall Cooke Gold coined in the mint. — Pa: 54,968 ⅔ 24 fans: being the produce of the Loyall Cooke gold out of ye: mint.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper repack up in Chests, the Quick Silver come on the Loyall Cooke in order to bee sent to Bengall by the first opportunity. — Quick silver order'd to Bengall.

Resolved that the President sends on the first two boats that goes for Metchlepatam Ten thousand Pagodas for the Rt: Honble: Companys Account five thousand Pagodas, and five Peons therewith on each Boat. — Pa: 10,000 orderd for Metchlepatam.

Wee having been advised from Bengall that Coppar sells for no more then 31 Rupees ℔ Maund, was the reason wee sent but One Thousand Chests thither on the Phœnix, and whereas the Loyall Cooke brought 2,912 Chests, all which if it had laine to have been disposed of here, would have very much depreciated the — 1,000 Chests coppar sent to Bengall, and why. the remainder of

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wt: brought on the Loyall Cooke sold for Pa: 58 ℔ Candy, and why.

Commodity, the sending of which away has incouraged Merchants to make proposealls for the remainder, and having been offered severall times Fifty eight Pagodas ℔ Candy four Pecull to ye: Candy and 132lb: to the Pecull, on which wee have differed onely on the weight of the Pecull, which has been formerly 132lb: and of late comes out but 130 soe have agreed with Vinkettee Chittee for the whole parcell, att fifty eight Pagodas ℔ Candy, each Candy 4 Pecull, and 131lb: to the Pecull to bee paid in three months, the reason for our disposing of it is, not onely that the Dutch have brought a quantity to Sadrass, but that the time of the raines coming on when shall bee able to send little or none into the Country, and some few months after wch: is over wee expect a considerable quantity from China.

THO: PITT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

22D Ship Dansburg Capt: Mare belonging to the Danish Company arrived from Trincombar.

23 Ship Phœnix Capt: Carswell Comander sailed for Pengall by whom sent a Generall Letter dated ye: 21st: Instant to the President &ca: Council of Fort William in Bengall.

24 Ships Christian Quintass and Dansburg both sailed for Bengall.

25 Briggantine Debora, and a Parr sailed for Anjengo.

Received a Generall Letter ℔ Pattamar from the President and Council of Fort William in Bengall, who advice of the arrivall of ship Hampshire there, and that the restraint on Trade is not yet taken off.

Dispatched ℔ boat a Generall Letter to the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam dated this day, with 5,000 Pagodas in charge of 5 Peons.

31 Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governor, and Council of Fort St: David dated 28th: Instant, advising of Mr: Roberts arrivall there.

SEPTEMBER TUESDAY PMO:

ATT A CONSULTATION
Present
THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.
MR: FRANCIS ELLIS, *sick.*

Pa: 300 pd: into Cash by the Arrac farmers on that Accot: Candy 5 of coppar to be coin'd into West Coast Cash. allso 5 Ca: for this Place. West Coast fan' to be coin'd. Generall Letters rocd: read.

Gruapau &ca: Arrac Farmers payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Three Hundred Pags: on that Account.

Ordered that the Warehousekeepr: reserve five Candy Coppar (out of that sold by order of Consultation of 22d: past month) and deliver itt into the mint, to be coined into West Coast Cash, as allso five Candy for Cash for this Place. Resolved that the Mintmaster come into West Coast fanams, what remain[in]g of the Silver delivered for allay of Ship Loyall Cookes Gold from China.

Generall Letter from the President & Councill of Bengall dated 29th: June last, from Metchlepatam dated 17th: August, and from Fort St: David dated 28th: August all now read.

A note to be put up at the Sea Gate, that all person have leave to freight on Hampshire.

Ordered that the Secretary puts up a note at the Sea Gate, to give Notice that all people are free to freight on Ship Hampshire to the West Coast, who is designed to saile hence if possible in September.

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The President reads his Account of the Rt: Honble: Companyes Cash for the month of July last, Ballance being Pa: 32,212: 26: 5. Accot: Cash for the month duly read.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of May last Vizt: Paymastr: reads his Paymastrs: Accot: for May.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1554:	10
Mary Smack		90:	—
Charges Dyett		879:	4
Charges Generall		426:	20
Charges Cattle		69:	14
Charges Extraordinary		18:	23
West Coast		6:	—
Silk Wormes		9:	6
Fortifications & repairs		29:	22
	Pags:	3082:	77

Ordered that One thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray charges Garrison. Pa: 1,000 orderd the Paymaster.

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer reads his Accounts for the month of July last Vizt: Land Customer reads his Accots: for July &

Choultrey Custome	Pags:	385:	34:	48
Rubie Broakers		91:	15:	24
Town Broaker		2:	12:	—
Registring Slaves		5:	12:	—
	Pa:	485:	1:	72

and payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Five Hundred forty four Pagodas on that Account. [Payes] Pa: 500 on yt: Accot: Gunner Entertd: [Pags: 775: 9½ pd: out of Cash [for 6 guns].

Ordered that Edward White be Entertained a Gunner in this Garrison.

Resolved that there be paid out of Cash Seven Hundred Seventy five Pagodas nine fanams itt being for six Guns bought of the President weighing cwt. qr lb. 193: 3: 7 at Pa 4 ℔ Hundred [weight?], they being for the service of Vizagapatam Garrison and we having none of those sizes to spare from the workes here.

Mr: Daniel Du Bois having been generally sick, and out of order since he came from Bombay, and was made Storekeeper here, in so much that itt occasioned delay in passing his Accounts which the President has very often called upon him for, so that this day he sent Mr: Hunt to read the same in Consultation, and accordingly they were read, from the month of November to the ultimo April last. Storekeepers Accot. read for 5 months.

The aforesaid Mr: Dubois continuing very ill itt is order'd that Mr: Joseph Hiller assist him in bringing up his Accounts, and that he forewith goes about the same, and the Secry: to acquaint him thereof. Mr: Hiller ordered assistant to the Storekeeper.

There having lain a long time some Currall beads in the Godown, which have been often call'd by such as have had occasion, and bought the same att Ten Pagodas ℔ Seer, so that the redders, and best Colourd are gone and no[thing] but the pailest remain which are not esteemed at Pegue, [when] they are Generall sent for Sale, and this day the Warehousekeeper acquainted us that he's offered 9 Pags: [℔] Seer, [and that] he sells it accordingly. Currall ordered to be sold at Pa. 9 ℔ seer.

[*Four pages completely torn.*]

I Serapau the Cheife Merchant for my part am old, and sickly, and as the life of man [is] uncertain, being desireous that the Comp's: Debt may be cleared, I humbly request yor: Honour &ca: Gentlemen of the Councill will please to take it into your serious consideration, that we may clear the Comp's: Debt.

And shall as in Duty bound ever Pray &ca:

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3D Dispatched a Generall Letter to the Cheif & Councill of Metchlepatam dated 2d: Instant with 5,000 [Pag ?] in charge of two of our Peons and 4 of theirs.

Ship Sedgwick Capt: Thomas Plumb Comandr: sailed for Pegue.

4 Ship House de loo belonging to the Dutch East India Company arrived here from Negapatam.

Ditto Ship sailed for Pollicatt.

6. Ship Sta: Mariha Coja Saphir Noqueda sailed for Pegue.

Ship Bona Voyagio [*Lacuna in the original*] Master sailed for Pegue.

9. Ship Colchester Capt: Benj. Rouse Comdr: arrd: from England.

WEDNESDAY 9TH. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVERNR.
THOMAS MARSHALL JOHN MEVERELL
MR: ELLIS, MR: WRIGHT & MR: EMPSON, *Sick.*

The Pacquett from the Rt: Honourable Company ℔ ship Colchester being opened was found to contain as ℔ List Entered after this Consultation; and the Generall Letters dated 12th: of January, 6th: and 13th: March 1701 &cta: Papers, were all now read.

THO: PITT.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

LIST OF THE COMPS: PACQUETT TO FORT ST: GEORGE BY SHIP COLCHESTER.

No: 1. Comp Generall to the Fort dated 6th: March [1701].
2. Invoice of the Ship Colchester.
3. Bill of Lading ship Colchester.
4. Copy Ditto Ships Charterparty.
5. Copy Compas: Generall to the Fort 15th: January [1700] sent ℔ ship Dutchess and Loyal Cooke.

Seal'd up
6. Copy Compas: Letter to the Presidt: Pitt 24th: Janry: [1700] sent ℔ Phœnix and Loyall Cooke.
7. Copy Compas: Letter to Presidt: Pitt 15th Janry: 170[0].

8. Copy Compas: Generall to Fort 14th: Febry: 1700 ℔ Loy: [Cooke].
9. Copy Comp Generall to York Fort 8 July 1701 ℔ Jno: & [. . .].
10. Copy Compas: Generall to the Fort 17th: Septemr: 170[1] Sent ℔ Chambers frigat.
11. Copy Compas: Generall to the Fort 12th: Janr: 170[1] sent ℔ Tankervill New Companys ship.
12. Proposalls for an Agreement between the [two] East India Companys containing 21 Articles.
13. Jeremiah Harrisons Covenants and Bonds Factor dated 22d: July 1701 to be signed and returned for England & the Counterpart here sent to be then delivered.
14. Comps: Generall to the Fort datd: 13th: March 1701.
15. Key of a Chest of medicines ℔ ship Colchestr: in a Box apart.
16. Capt: William Kids Tryall six of them in ye: [. . .]
17. A Letter from the New Comps: Directed th[ither] To the Honble: John Pitt Esqr: Presidt: and the rest of [. .] ye: Coast of Chormandel for [. .] Compa: trading to ye: East.

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in the Box apart.

18. Votes of the House of Commons: 8th: March 1701.
19. The Rt: Honble: The Lords Address to her Majesty the 9th: of March 1701 and her Majesties most Gracious answere thereunto.
20. The Commons Address to ye: Queen six.
21. The London Gazett from Thursday 5th: to Monday 9th: March last.
22. The London Gazett from Monday 9th: to Thursdy: 12th: Dº: 1701.
23. List of Souldiers on board the Colchester.

10TH Ship Saphir Salamad, Mahomud Sadick Noquedah sailed for Pegue.

14TH Ship Loyall Cooke Capt: Richard Boulton Commander, arrived from Fort St: David by whom received a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour & Council there, datd: 12th: Septr: 1702 wth: Invoice and bill of Lading for 265 bales Loaden upon her.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 14TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
THOMAS WRIGHT.
THOMAS MARSHALL MATTHEW EMPSON
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St: David dated 12th: Inst: [. . .] now read, which advices of a bill of Exchange [drawn] by them on this Presidency for one [. . .] two Pags: twenty six fanams [. . .] wch: is hereby orderd to [. . .]

The disposall of the Honble: Company's Factors and Writers sent out by ship Colchester being under consideration. It is resolved as followes, who were accordingly sent for and acquainted therewith.

Mr: Finch assistant to the President in the Mint Affaires.
Mr: Etterick under the President.
Mr: Lyde, Mr: Lockyet } under the Accomptant.
Mr: Coppin Assistant to the Warehousekeeper.
Mr: Greaves under the Paymaster.
Mr: Thomas Cooke, Mr: Arron Jones, Mr: Dixon } under the Secretary.
Mr: Barrow under the Storekeeper.

Ordered that John de Rosairo be Entertained one of the Gunroome Crew, and Lorenso Furdenando, Nichola de Rosairo, Abraham Jonson, souldiers in this Garrison.

Whereas the Warehousekeeper acquaints us, that there is some damage on the Comps: Cloth come on the Colchester from England, Tis ordered that the Warehousekeeper, Messrs: Empson and Marshall view the same, and report to what Amount to the Governr: and Council.

The Company having advised the death of King William of blessed memmory, and that the High and mighty Princes was Proclaimed Queen of England &c: which they likewise ordered to be done in all their Settlements in India, so that in order thereunto 'tis agreed on Thursday next the 17th: Instant, that at Eight in the morning the flag be hoisted halfe mast, and yt: there bee One Hundred peices of Cannon fired for the Kings death, with two Vollyes of small shott, the ships to fire twenty Guns each, and presently after to hoist the Flagg, when the Mayor & Aldermen on Horseback attended by the officers of the Corporation, and a foot Company do ride up to the Fort Gate, and Proclaime our Gracious Queen Anne of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, and from thence to go and do the

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same at the Town Hall, Sea Gate, and Choultrey Gate, after which to fire one Hundred and one peices Canon, and the ships in the road to fire 21 each, and in the evening all Inhabitants Europeans to meet at the Garden at the feast to drink the Queens health and prosperity to old England, and that the Secretary puts up ye following Note at the Sea Gate Viz^t^:

It is ordered by the Governour & Council that on Thursday next the 17th : Instant they will Proclaime our Gratious Queen Anne of England, Scotland, France & Ireland &c^a^: and that on the Sunday following the Governour and Councill will go into close mourning for the death of our Gracious King William the third of blessed memory, hoping all well effected Persons will do the same.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^S^: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

WEDNESDAY 16TH

ATT A CONSULTATION.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R^: PRESID^T^: GOV^R^:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOM^S^: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letters to the Deputy Govern^r^: and Council of Fort S^t^: David, to the Cheife and Council of Metchlepatam, and to the Cheife and Council of Vizagapatam all dated the 15th: Instant now read, approved, and signed.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^S^: MARSHALL.
JOHN: MEVERELL.

17TH In persuance to an order of Consultation on the 14th: Instant, the flag was early this morning hoisted, and at eight a Clock when there was two volleys small [shott] and One Hundred Canon discharged by the ½ minute glass, for the death of our [late] Gracious King William the third of bless[ed] memory. Then the Flagg was again hoisted up, when the Mayor, and all the Alder[men] in their Gowns on Horse back with [twelve] Hall Certeers, and a Company of Granadiers marching before them, Proclaimed our Gracious Queene Anne at the Fort Gate, Town Hall, Sea Gate, and Choultrey Gate, with many hossaws, and great demonstrations of Joy, with three Volleys small Shott. One Hundred and one peices Cannon discharged. And in the evening the Governour attended by all the Gentlemen of the Council, with the Mayor & Aldermen and severall other Gentlemen (in Palankeens and Horseback) to the Company bowling Garden, where there was a handsome Treat provided, all Europeans of fashing [*sic*] in the Citty being invited to [the] same, where they drank the Queens Health, and Prosperity to old [England.]

18TH Dispatched a Generall Letters to the Dep^y^: Governour and Council of Fort S^t^: David to the Cheife and Council of Metchlepatam [and] to the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam, [all] dated the 15th Instant, and to the Comodore and Council at Anjengo dated 17th: Ditto, inclosing in each Packett some Prints importing the most materiall news when Ship Colchester came away, allso severall Paragraphs of the Companys Generall to this Place ℔ Ditto Ship, that related to each Factory.

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Dispatched a small Letter to the Governour of Pollicat, inclosing a Pacquet to the Gen[l]: and Council of Battavia, concerning the Goods seized at Mallacca, desiring their forwarding it as directed.

ATT A CONSULTATION SATTURDAY 19TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]: PRESIDENT & GOV[R]:
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS WRIGHT
JOHN MEVERELL THOM[S]: MARSHALL

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam dated 5th: Instant now read.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper re[load] on board the Loyall Cooke all the brown [goods] that came upon her from Fort S[t]: David and that he load, all the Bay, and China Goods, and what other goods he can take in.

Cap[t]: Boulton making it his request [in] writing (as Entered after this Consultation) for Ten Tons of Salt Petre, more then mentioned in Charter-party. Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do Load the same, and allso that he load on board ship Colchester redwood according to her Charterparty proportion, and what Quick Silver came [on] the Loyall Cooke from China, and that the Lead she brought from England be continued on board her.

M[r]: Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company Cash Two Thousand Pagodas on that Account.

M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster reads his Paymasters account for the month of June last Viz[t]:—

Charges Garrison	Pa: 1273: 22
Vizagapatam	1: 34
Charges Cattle	34: 35
Charges Extraordinary	2: 33
Silk Wormes	9: 1
Bengall Presidency	28: 26
Charges Dyett	306: 32
Charges Generall	486: 16
Ship Sarum	377: 21
Ketch Josiah	24: —
Fortification and repairs	9: 11
Pag[s]:	2555: 15

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas be paid M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Francisco Le Brown bee Enter'ed one of the Gunroome in this Garrison.

M[r]: Richard Hunt payes into the R[t]: Honourable Companys Cash Five Hundred Pagodas, on Account Stores sold by M[r]: Daniel Du Bois Storekeeper.

Moortepilla the Storekeepers Conicoply payes into the R[t]: Honourable Companys Cash Two Hundred Pagodas, being for stores sold out of the Godown this month.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[S]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

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WEDNESDAY 23D. ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVR:
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Serapau &cª: Joint Stock Merchants having brought in Goods, to the Amount of Ten Thousand Pagodas, according to their Agreement in Consultation of the primo Instant, ordered that Five Thousand Pagˢ: be paid them, according to said agreement [. . .] [pay]ing double the sume in [. . .]

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do sell by Outcry, the damage Cloth come on the Colchester, itt being but little, insomuch that it will yield little more then prime cost, which was the reason it was not delivered the Comandr.

Order'd that Three Hundred fifty nine Pagˢ: fourteen fanams, be paid out of Cash to the Mint Braminy for charges Coinage of the Loyall Cookes Gold from China.

Ponnagettee Narso &cª: Tobacco, and Beetle Farmers payes into the Rt: Honble: Compª: Cash Seven Hundred Pagˢ: on that Accoᵗ.

The President reads his Account of the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash for the month [of] August last, Ballance Pagˢ: 49315 [3.]

The Warehousekeeper &cª: delivers in the re[port] in writing (as Entered after this Consultation) of the damage Cloth come from [England] on Ship Colchester, according to an order [of] Consultation of the 14th: Instant, and [here]by orderd to demaind of the Command[er] One Hundred and Thirty Pagodas eight fanams, being the stated damages on the above said Goods.

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer reads his Land Customers Account for the month of August last Vizt:

Choultrey Custome	...	...	...	...	...	Pa:	319 : 23 : 12
Rubie Broakers	...	...	...	...	...		63 : 26 : 40
Town broakers	...	...	...	...	..		15 : 12 : 70
						Pagˢ:	393 : 23 : 42

and payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Three Hundred Twenty seven Pagˢ: on yᵗ; Accoᵗ:

We being advised from Bengall that gold bears a good price there, and silver being dear here, we think it the advantage of the Company to send them the Chest Nº: A: most of it being fine Gold, and accordingly the Warehousekeeper is order'd to Load the same on ship Colchester for Bengall.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HONBLE: THOMAS PITT ESQR:
PRESIDENT & GOVERNR: OF FORT
St: GEORGE &cª: COUNCIL
HONBLE: Sr: &cª:

I request your Honour &cª: will be pleased to order on board ship Loyall Cooke the a[ddition] of Ten Tons of salt Petre more then mentioned in Charter-party, in order to render the ship [more] capable of bearing saile. I am

Honble: Sr: &cª:
Fort St: George Sepr: 19th: 1702. Yor: most Obedt: Humble: Servt:
RICHD: BOULTO[N].

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To the Honble : Thomas Pitt Esqr ;
Presidt : & Governr : &ca : Council
of Fort Sr : George.

In Pursuance to an order of Consultation of the 14th : Instant, we met this morning to View the Broad Cloth &ca : received ℔ Ship Colchester, Capt : Benjamin Rouse Comander, and found the following peices much damaged, wch : was deliverd to ye : Capt : Viz t :

Broad Cloth.

Bale No :	Popinjas.	yds :	yo :		
41	121	22	21½	3 Cloths at £ 10 : d 6	
	122	21	21	℔ Cloth at 9s : ℔	
	123	22	22	Pago :	Pa : 66 : 30
35	127 Scarlet	24	23½	1 clo : at £ 28 : 13sh : at	
				Ditto	63 : 24
					Pags : 130 : 18

Fort St : George, 23d : Sepr : 1702.

Thomas Wright.
Matthew Empson.
Thomas Marshall.

Att a Consultation SATTUEDAY 26TH

Present

Thomas Pitt Esqr : Presidt : & Govr :
Thomas Wright
Matthew Empson Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Ordered that Joseph Shaw, Henry Poney and John Boss, be Entertained Souldiers in this Garrison.

Mr : Thomas Marshall Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of July last Viz t :

Charges Garrison	Pa :	1259 : 16
Charges Cattle		63 : 12
Fort St : David		20 : —
Silk Wormes		8 : 23
Charges Dyett		469 : 30
Charges Extraordinary		409 : 30
West Coast		3 : 16
Vizagapatam		—: 23
Ketch Josiah		124 : 16
Fortification & repaires		116 : 25
	Pags :	2481 : 4

Abdull Labby Cawn Governour of Porto Novo and the Country about itt, came last night to St : Thoma, having been lately at the Camp at [Vellore] unto whom the Governour sent this morning the Mulla with a complement, and two bottles of rosewater, which he kindly received, and intemated to him that he was desirous of seeing Madrass, which the Mulla was order'd to evade if possible, but not to give a flatt denyall, And whereas we have alwayes found the aforesaid Governour of Porto Novo a Friend to our Comps : Interest, of which he gave demonstration in yt : business of the wrack [*sic*] of the Advice Frigot att Fort St : David in consideration of wch : and to preserve his friendship 'tis agreed

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that we make him a Present of Gold Chaines to the value of about Four Hundred and fifty Pag[s]: and that tomorrow morning the Mulla & Braminy attend him with the same.

THO: PITT.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[S]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

27 The Mulla, and Braminy in persuance to an order of Consultation of yesterdayes date, did this day attend Nabob Abdull Lubby at S[t]: Thoma, with the Present of Gold Chaines, which they privately offered, but he refused to accept them, telling them he was a true friend to the English so would take no present, but would alwayes continue the kindness he had for us, and make it his study to do us all the good services that lay in his Power.

Ship Hampshire Cap[t]: Zachariah Tovey Comand[r]: arrived in this road from Bengall, by whom rec[d]: two Generall Letters dated the 10th: and 18th: August last, from the President and Council of Fort Will[m]:

Received p[r] Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Commodore &c[a]: Council at Anjengo dated the 28th: of August last, inclosing a Letter from Cap[t]: Denne[t] to the Hon[ble]: President advising the loss of his ship the Rhebow on the Saugos, who belonged to the new Company bound from Surat to Persia.

28 The following order was signed by the Governour and Council Viz[t].

Ship Hampshire Cap[t]: Zachariah Tovey Com[r]: arriving in this road yesterday from Bengall, ordered that the Warehousekeeper and Storekeeper un[load] all Goods, and stores on board her, belonging the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

29 M[r]: Daniel Dubois senh[r]: Merchant in the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys service departed this life about one this morning!(having lain sick severall mo[ths]:) and was interred this evening, with a Company of Souldiers to attend the Corps to the burying Place, who fired three vollyes of small shott, and then were discharged 12 Great Guns by the halfe minute glass.

The following order was signed by the Govern[r]: and Council Viz[t].

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper load on board Ship Hampshire Redwood according to her Charterparty proportion.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

OCTOBER p[mo]. Ship Juan Martine arrived from Bengall, Cop[pin]Phedorasa Noquedah.

Received a Generall Letter from the Cheif & Council of Metchlepatam dated 18th: September last inclosing a Generall Letter from the Generall and Council of Surat dated 14 August 1702 by an Armenian Cossett.

2[o] Ketch S[t]: George William Weld Master arrived this evening from Vizagapatam, by whom a Gen[ll]: Letter from the Cheif and Councill there dated 7th: September last, inclosing Invoice and bill of Loading for 99 Bales of Callicoes laden on her, belonging to the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company.

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The following order was signed by the Govern[r]: and Council Viz[t]: 3
Ketch S[t]: George William Weld Master arrived last night from Vizagapatam with ninety nine bales of Callicoes belonging to the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Comp[a]: ordered that the Warehousekeeper do forewith unload the same.

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATTHEW EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

ATT A CONSULTATION MONDAY 5.

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]: PRESIDENT & GOVERN[R]:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper load one Hundred and fifty Bales of Calicoes on board Ship Hampshire, and what more in the Godown as the Com[r]: shall call for them.

M[r]: Thomas Wigmore Trustee to the Estate of M[r]: Francis Betts deceased payes into the R[t]: Honourable Companys Cash Six hundred sixty Pagodas, Twenty four fanams, for which Bills are given him on the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company, for Three Hundred pounds, payable to S[r]: Selatthel Lovell of London Knight.

Ordered that the Paymaster, muster Ship Loyall Cookes Company, and report the same.

Order'd that the Paymaster, Storekeeper an[d] Steward, Ship on board the Hampshire w[hat] they were formerly ordered to provide for the West Coast.

M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster payes into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Cash One Hundred 84 Pagodas twenty six fanams, being [the] Ballance of Mr. John Penford Estate deceased and delivers his Accounts therewith to be sent to the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company. He allso payes into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Cash Three thousand, seventeen Pagodas twenty six fanams being the Ballance of Cap[t]: Thomas Lambert deceased Estate, in his Hands, and delivers his Accounts therewith to be sent to the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Company.

M[r]: Thomas Marshall Paymaster reads his Paymasters Accounts for the month of August last Viz[t]:

Charges Generall	Fa.	1,273 : 15
Charges Cattle		48: —
Charges of Merchandize		3 : 20
Charges Extraordinary		2 : 20
Charges Dyett		370 : 24
Charges Generall		423 . 2
Account Presents		20 : —
Silk Wormes		6 : 8
Bengall Presidency		— 10
Fort S[t]. David		33: 2
Fortification and repairs		124 : 32
	Pag[a].	2,305 : 25

Ordered that John Butcher be Entertaind one of the Gunroome Crew of this Garrison.

The Deputy Governour and Council of York Fort complaining very much the want of assistance and M[r]: Joseph Marshall, M[r]: Thomas Greaves, M[r]: Peter

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Leicester and Mr: Thomas Powell offering their service, Tis agreed they be Entertain'd, Factors and Writers for that Place, as followeth, and that halfe a yeares Salary be advanced to each of them.

Mr: Joseph Marshall Factor for five yeares.
Mr: Thomas Greaves Writer for two yeares.
Mr: Peter Leicester Ditto for two yeares.
Mr: Thomas Powell Ditto for five year's.

Generall Letters from the President, and Councill of Fort William in Bengall dated 10th and 18th Augt: from the Generall and Council at Surat dated the 14th: August, and from the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam dated 18th: September last all now read.

Sunca Rama offering a Bill of Exchange for two Thousand Pagodas, payable to the Depy: Governour, and Council of Fort St: David, orderd that the same be accepted of, and that the said sume be paid to Sunca Rama out of the Rt: Honble: Companys cash here.

Generall Letter to the Rt: Honble: Company Paragraph 80 now read, and approved.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

6 Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St: David dated 4th: Instant with their Pacquet for the Rt: Honble: Company.

7 Ship Loyall Cooke fired a Gun, and spred her colours to give notice that she was full.

THURSDAY 8TH ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Ordered that Edward White, Daniel Bulfinch and John Russell are discharged the Gunroome, and Peter de fonnell from farther service in this Garrison.

Ordered that one Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster to defray Charges Garrison.

The President reads his Account of the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash for the month of September last Ballance being Pags: 40,943: 33: 5.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster reports Ship Loyall Cookes Company to consist of 64 men.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

9 Received a Generall Letter ℔ Pattamar from [the] Cheif and Councill of Metchlepatam dated the 28th September last.

Delivered the Commander of Ship Loyall Cooke his dispatch for England.

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Yesterday in the evening the Comander of Ship Loyall Cooke, and Mr: Robert Pitt as Passenger went on board, and last night between 9 and 10 Ship sailed for England. 10

Dispatch'd a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour, and Council of Fort St: David dated this day. 12

ATT A CONSULTATION TUESDAY 13TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDT: & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MR: MATTHEW EMPSON, *sick.*

Gruapau & Arrac Farmers payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash three Hundred Pags: on that Account.

Mootepilla Storekeepers Conicoply payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Three hundred Pagodas on account Stores sold in the month of September last.

Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour, and Council of York Fort now read, and approved.

The Accomptant is ordered to draw out the Account of the last halfe yeares salary due to the Rt: Honble: Companys Servants, Ending the 29th September last.

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

The 12th in the afternoone it blew very hard at N.E. and continued so till the 13th in the evening, with squall of raine and great gusts when it came about to Et: and veering to the Southward the wind dull'd, & this day was fair weather. 14

Ship Juan Martin sailed to the Northward.

Ship President Thomas Greenhaugh Master arrived here from Fort St: David, by whom received a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council there dated the 7th: Instant with Invoice, and Bill of Loading for 167 Bales of Calicoes, belonging to the Rt: Honble: Company. 15

The following order was signed by the Governr: and Council Vizt.

Ship President Thomas Greenhaugh Master arriving this evening from Fort St: David with One Hundred Sixty, and Seven Bales of Calicoes belonging to the Rt: Honble: Company ordered that the Warehousekeeper do early tomorrow morning traverse them on board Ship, Hampshire, and that Mr: Coppin goes off to do the same. 15

THOMAS PITT.
FRANCIS ELLIS.
THOMAS WRIGHT.
MATT: EMPSON.
THOMAS MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

FRIDAY 16TH ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, OCTOBER 1702*——

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR : PRESIDENT & GOVR :
FRANCIS ELLIS, THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL
MR : MATTHEW EMPSON, *sick.*

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper Storekeeper and Gunner do provide and ship off on board the President for Fort St : David the following Stores Viz[t] :

Cloth rashes six Bales.
Broad Cloth Ordinary 15 Bales 2/3 red, and 1/3 Green.
Scarlet one Bale.
Aurora two Bales.
English Powder thirty barrells.
Granado Shells of Glass 200.
Spunge Staves 50 from 4 to 5 foot long.
Ditto 50 from 9 to 10 Ditto
Shott of 5 Inc diameter 60.
Iron Crowes— 12.
Hand Screw one pair.
In. Inc.
Europe Cordage of 2 : 3 : 4 : 5 : 6 two quoils of each.
Harsers from 7 Inc to four or six.
Musketts one Hundred.
Flints ten Thousand.
English Iron 20 Cwt.
Factors Provissions of all sorts.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper deliver into the Mint the Chest of Gold N° [. . .] to be coined in Pag[s] : which came upon ship Colchester from England and that Mess[rs] : Cookes, and Coppin be present at weighing it off.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do sell all the rice come from Bengall on ship Hampshire, as not being fit to be kept for the use of the Garrison.

THO : PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM[s] : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

16 Dispatch'd a Generall Letter to the Deputy Gov[r] : and Council of Fort St : David of this dayes date.

18 Deliverd the Comander of Ship Hampshire his dispatch for York Fort.

Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour, and Council of Fort St : David dated 15th : Instant.

19 Ship Hampshire Cap[t] : Zachariah Tovey Comander sailed for York Fort, by whom sent two Generalls to the R[t] : Hon[ble] : Company dated the 15th : and 18th : Inst : and a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of York Fort dated 12th : Instant, inclosing Invoice and Bill of Loading for 588 Bales &c[a] : Laden on her Amounting to Pag[s] : 52,596 : 33 : 2.

Ship President Thomas Greenhaugh Master saild for Fort St : David, by whom sent a short Letter to the Deputy Governour, and Council there, inclosing Invoice, and bill of Loading for Sundrys Laden on her.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — TUESDAY 20TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R} : PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Generall Letters from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 30th : July 7th : and 28th : September last, from the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam dated the 4th : Instant, from the Deputy Governour &c^{a} : at Fort S^{t} : David dated 15th : October all now read.

Ordered that Three Hundred Pagodas be paid to Francisco Andrade being for one Bill of Exch^{e} : drawn by the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t} : David dated 4th : Instant.

M^{r} : Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custom Account for the months of July, and August Viz^{t} :

July.

To Custom on Goods imported & exported this month ...	Pa.	2,417 : 14 : 19
To Custom on Grains	„	554 : 21 : 60
To Anchorage	„	90 : 18 : —
To Tonnage	„	152 : 28 : —
To Acco^{t} : freight rec^{d} : ℔ Mary Bowyer and ship Bedford.	„	48 : 4 : 45
	Pa.	3,263 : 14 : 24

August.

To Custom on Goods imported and exported this month ...	Pa.	924 : 23 : 18
To Custom on Graine	„	326 : 19 : 85
To Anchorage	„	58 : — : —
To Tonnage	„	16 : 24 : —
	Pa.	1,325 : 31 : 3

and payes into the R^{t} : Honble : Companys Cash Three thousand Pagodas on that Account.

Orderd that One Thousand Pagodas be paid M^{r} : Thomas Marshall towards building the black Town Wall.

Pera Tombee Tonnapan Chittee offering a bill of Exchange for fiveteen hundred Pag^{a} : payable to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t} : David, Ordered that the same be accepted of, and that the said sume be paid to Pera Tombee Tonnapan Chittee, out of the R^{t} : Honble : Companys cash here.

During the time Dowed Cawn lay before this Place, we were considerably streighten'd for Provissions, at which time the weather being very hott, we could not salt up any, so were forced to keep a great number of Hoggs the meat for which was very chargeable, besides the great inconveniency of keeping such a number, so to prevent any future danger that may happen from the Garrison wanting Provissions, Tis agreed that between this, and January next that the Steward be ordered to kill Three Hundred Hoggs to bee salted up, as the Governour from time to time shall direct. And if it should so happen there be no occasion for them, that then they be disposed of to the shipping as opportunity offers.

We having had severall offers made us by severall persons, for some part of the broad cloth brought out by the Colchester, but few dayes past Vinkettee Chittee having made proposealls to take the whole quantity, so that in consideration y^{t} : it will be damaged by lying by, and the New Company and the French having stock'd the marketts on this Coast, so that the Commodity is not so

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much in demaind as formerly, we have therefore thought fitt to agree with the aforesaid Vinkettee Chittee for the whole quantity reserving only some for Fort S[t]: David, and the use of this Place at the following Prizes, Viz[t]: Broad cloth Ordinary Seve[n]teen Pagodas ℔ peice, Scarlett at forty seven Pagodas ℔ peice; Aurora at Twenty seven Pagodas ℔ peice, the money to bee paid at four equall Payments within the space of six months.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM[s]: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

27TH Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour, and Council of Fort S[t]: David dated 24th: Instant.

Ketch S[t]: George M[r]: William Weed Master sailed for the West Coast, by whom sent a short Lett[r]: inclosing copy of our Generall Letter ℔ Ship Hampshire, with Invoice, and 2[d]: bill of Loading of Ditto Ship.

THURSDAY 29TH ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ[R]: PRESIDENT AND GOVERN[R]:
FRANCIS ELLIS
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The President payes into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Cash Fifty two Pagodas being for permission of passage of the following Persons ℔ ship Loyall Cooke for England.

M[r]: Robert Pitt	Pa:	26
M[rs]: Probys daughter	„	26
	„	52

The Accomtant delivers in an Account of the last halfe yeares Salary due to the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys servants in this Place ending the 29th: September last Amounting to Pagodas 1059 : 1 : which is ordered to be paid.

Henry Davenport Secretary reads his Account fees for Passes for the month of September last and payes into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Cash Pag[s]: 6. 24: fan[s].

Ordered that Robert Vinion be entertained a souldier in this Garrison, and that Antonio Fiatho, Manuel Dias, and Manuel Teresa be Entertain'd souldiers in y[e]: Garrison, and that their Pay Commences from the first of this mo[th]: they having been under armes from that time.

M[r]: Charles Bugden Rentall Generall pays into the R[t]: Hon[ble]: Companys Cash Sixty two Pagodas ten fanams as the Ballance of the Quit rents ending the ultimo August 1700, and further payes Pagodas five Hundred on said Account for the ensuing year.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S[t]: David dated 24th: Instant now read, advising of two Bills of Exchange drawn on this Presidency, one for Three thousand Pag[s]: payable to Sunca Rama, and one for Five thousand Pag[s]: payable to Chola Chittee, both which are orderd to be complyed with when presented.

Ordered that the Accomptant layes before this board, next Consultation day an Account of the Bengall charge against M[r]: Trenchfeild.

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Order'd that One Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

The Goldsmiths found coining false Pagodas ordered that they be brought to their Tryalls on Satturday the 7th: November.

The Warehousekeeper representing to us that Checca Serapau &cs: Joint Stock Merchants have brought in Callicoes to the Amount of upwards of fourteen thousand Pagodas since last Payment to them, which was the 24th: past month, and the Merchants laying the necessity before us of having more money to draw their effects out of the country and we being apprehensive of the same; 'Tis agreed they are paid Ten thousand Pagodas.

Here being great want of Millitary officers in this Garrison which is one reason we detained Leiutenant Wyatt from going to the West-Coast besides Leiutenant Sinclare who commands one of our Companys being very creasy, and often indisposed, Tis agreed that the aforesaid Leiutenant Wyatt be an assistant in that Company, and that he has Leiutenants Pay for the same, resolving to make no Ensign, there being one wanting at this time in the first company.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Dispatch'd a Generall Letter to the Deputy Govr: and Council of Fort St: David, dated 27th: and 28th: Inst:. 31

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDT: AND GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

NOVEMBER MONDAY 2N

Ordered that one Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying Charges Garrison.

Ordered that Thome de Monte, Antonia de Silva and Barnoll de Allfonse be Entertained Souldiers in this Garrison.

Ponagette Narso &cs: Tobacco and beetle farmers payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash Seven Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

There being great want of Redwood for the Kentilage of the Europe ships its agreed that we contract with Mootemar for five Hundred Candys, at Pagodas two, and a quarter ℔ Candy and that the Warehousekeeper advance the money as Mootemar calls for itt.

Mr: Francis Ellis Produces the Bengall charge against Mr: Trenchfeild, the whole demand being upwards of Three thousand Rupees, but the particulars produced being but for about 2400, Tis agreed we write to Bengall in our next Letter for the particulars of the remaining part of that charge, and in the mean time 'tis ordered that Mr: Ellis the Accomptant gives Mr: Trenchfeild Credit, for what Lead came to light, which Mr: Trenchfeild was before charged.

There being a House in the Body of the Town commonly called Mr: Greenhills house, where Mr: Jeremiah Peachie lately deceased lived, very cr[acky] and dangerous to all the Inhabitants that pa[ss] the street in so much that few dayes past, part [of] it fell down, with a great shower of Raine, w[here]fore 'tis order'd that the Paymaster takes six Inhabitants with the Carpenter, and Bricklayer to

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surveigh the remaining part of the House, and report in what condition they find it in with all expedition, that so a speedy care may be taken about the same.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TUESDAY 3: ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESID^{T}: & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Council being duly summoned.

Generall Letters to the Cheif, and Council of Metchlepatam, and to the Cheif, and Council of Vizagapatam dated 2^{d}: Instant, and to the President and Council of Fort William in Bengall dated this day, all now read, and approved.

The Warehousekeeper &c^{a}: make now their report, according to an order of Consultation of the 16th: of past month, that the Chest of Gold coine on ship Colchester from England, comes out in weight according to Invoice.

THO: PITT.
FFRANOIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S}: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

4 This day the Court satt for the Trying of Piracyes, Felonyes and Robberys committed upon the high seas when his Late Majesties Commission was read, and Commissioners sworne, and a day appointed for the tryall of Edward Bawgus, and Joseph Le Baume the proceedings of which Court is Entered in a booke apart.

The President is advised from Metchlepatam that the Mogull pitching his Camp near some great mountains, from which of a Suddain came so great fall of Waters, that it swept away about 150,000 People with Elephants, Horses, Camells, and baggage, and he himself narrowly escaping.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORD^{RY}:

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^{R}: PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

M^{r}: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of August la[st] and payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Eight Hundred Pagodas on that account.

Generall Letter frō the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam dated 20th: October last, now read.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper do sell at Outcry the following Stores that now layes in the Warehouse to prevent damage by lying.

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Sugar 25 baggs.
Butter 24 Jarrs.
Wheat 4 Guars.
Gunnys 1,500 peices.
Ropes 5 Candy.
Twine ½ Candy.

M^r: John Meverell Land Customer reads his Land Customers Account for the month of Septem^r: last Viz^t:

Choultry Custom	...	...	...	...	Pa:	169:	1: 40
Rubie Broakers	...	...	...	...	„	41:	9: 36
Town Broakers	...	...	...	...	„	3:	22: 43
Registring Slaves	...	...	...	...	„	1:	4: 0
			Total	...	Pa:	215:	1: 39

and payes into the R^t: Honble: Companys Cash Two Hundred Seventy Six Pagodas on that Account.

Ordered that Twenty five Pagodas bee paid Manangapau, being for three months Town Conicoplyes duty ending ultimo October last.

The 29th: past 'twas ordered that the three black fellowes apprehended, and found preparing to coine Pagodas, should be brought on their Tryall tomorrow but finding the evidence against them is so insofissiont [*sic*] that they will most certainly be aquitted, and they offering Six hundred Pagodas to be aquitted without a Tryall, Tis thought much better to accept the same, not onely in regard to the Six Hundred Pagodas, but likewise their being equitt[e]d upon their Tryall, would encourage others to attempt the same, and accordingly 'tis agreed to receive the six hundred Pagodas, and banish them this Place.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^s: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam dated [*Lacuna in the original.*]

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars Generall Letters to the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam, to the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam, and to the President & Council of Fort William in Bengall all dated the 6th: Instant.

ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORD^RY: WEDNESDAY 11TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R: PRESIDENT & GOVERN^R:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

M^r: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of Septem^r: last.

Gruapau &c^a: Arrac Farmers payes into the R^t: Honourable Comp^a: Cash Three hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper get ready Four hundred peices of fine Moorees of the thickest sort to be delivered the Painters, and that they bee accordingly sent for, to be agreed with for the same.

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Vinkettee Chittee payes into the Rt: Honble: Comp. Cash six hundred Pagodas for the releasement of the Three minters, according to an Order of Consultation of the 6th: Instant.

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster &ca: delivers in their report concerning the present condition of Mr. Greenhills house, which is Entered next after this Consultation, upon which 'tis orderd that the Paymaster pulls down the House, keeping a distinct Account of the charge thereof, and what of the Materialls shall bee disposed of.

The Kings Buxee Meerza Jehaudein having often importuned us for a Bill of Exchange for three Hundred and sixty Tomands to be paid to his order in Persia, so considering his being in an employ wherein he may bee serviceable to the Companys affairs, for wch: reason we are willing to oblige him, and we have this day agreed with his Agent Mahmud Sadick to give him a Bill for the aforesaid sume on the Companys Agent, and Council in Persia, at twenty eight rups: ten annas Currant Rupees of this Countrey for a Tomand and have advised them of the same, and desired them to redraw it on us by any ship bound to these parts, which may oblige the Buxee and can be no detriment to the company.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOMS: MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

TO THE HONBLE: THOMAS PITT ESQR:
PRESIDENT, AND GOVERNOUR OF
FORT STR: GEORGE &CA: COUNCIL.

In pursuance of an order of Consultation of the 2d: Instant we view'd the House commonly called Mr: Peachies, and found that part of itt next the street tumbled down, and the Walls so much crackt, that it is dangerous passing that way; There seems to us a necessity, of pulling down the said House to prevent it's falling. We are.

Honble: Sr: &ca:
Your obedt: Humble: Servants

Fort St: George Novemr: 11th 1702.

THOMAS MARSHALL.
GEORGE HERON.
WILLIAM HOW.
CHARLES FLEETWOOD.
EDWD: FLEETWOOD.
ROBT: ATKINSON.
RICHARD PHEIP.

Dispatch'd a Generall Letter to the General and Council of Surat, dated 9th: Instant, inclosing a Generall Letter to the Agent and Council of Persia of the same date.

THURSDAY 12

ATT A CONSULTATION

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Council being duely summoned.

Vinkattee Chitte payes into the Rt: Honourble: Companys Cash Five thousand Pagodas in part of coppar sold him according to an order of Consultation of 22d: August.

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Thomas Pitt Esqr: Mintmaster payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash Six thousand Pagodas in part of the Gold coin'd in the Mint received from England ℔ ship Colchester.

M^{r}: Matthew Empson Sea Customer payes into the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Cash one thousand five hundred Pagodas on account sea customs.

M^{r}: Joseph Hiller according to an order of Consultation of the first of September for the making up M^{r}: Daniel Dubois Storekeepers Accounts, does now produce them, and reads the same in Consultation, being for the months of May, June, July, August & September. Ordered that M^{r}. Joseph Hiller be Provissionall Storekeeper, and that he takes an Account remains of the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Stores.

Ordered that for the time to come the Storekeeper nor no other office, employes any Carpenters Smiths &c^{a}: without the direction of the Paymaster who is to pay the same, and no other. Orderd that for the future the Warehousekeeper and Storekeeper pay what Boats they in their stations employ on the R^{t}: Honble: Companys Acco^{t}: and bring it into their Accounts for Charges of Merchandize. Ordered that the Warehousekeeper advances 100 pag^{s}: to the Mucquas for repairing of their boats, and to deduct the same out of their boat hire.

Ordered that Copyes of all Bookes of Account &c^{a}: for the year past, be brought into the Secretarys office, in order to goe Home to the R^{t}: Honble: Comp^{a}: in January next, and that the Secretary acquaints them with the same.

Robert Ingram having for some time assisted Doct^{r}: Bulkly as a second Mate, and being lately marryed so that he has no benefit of the Companys Table, besides his Cheif mate being lately gone to Pegue for recovery of his health, 'tis thought reasonable, that whereas he had but three Pag^{s}: a month before: he has now five Pagodas, and the Paymaster is accordingly ordered to pay the same.

THO: PITT.
FFRANCIS ELLIS.
THO: WRIGHT.
M: EMPSON.
THOM^{S} MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received a Generall Letter from the President and Council of Fort William in Bengall dated 8th: [of Sep^{r}:] advising the continuance of their troubles, a [Generall] from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated [*Lacuna in the original*] and from the Cheif, and Council of Metchlepatam dated the 4th: Instant. 13

The Governour this evening handsomely attended by all the Gentlemen of the Council, and severall of the Inhabitants of the Town, went to the new Garden where he received a Tashereef, and Horse from Nabob Dowed Cawn, with Perwannas for the delivery of the Cloth seized att S^{t}: Thoma. 15

Received ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour, and Council of Fort S^{t}: David dated [*Lacuna in the original.*] 16TH

Rec^{d}: a Lett^{r}: from Govr: of Negapat^{m}: advising of a Warr in Europe.

This day the Court of Admiralty satt for the Trying of Edward Bawgus, and Joseph Le Baume for Piracys, and fellonyes committed upon the high seas; who were both found guilty of the fact charged against them. 18

Dispatchd ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Commodore &c^{a}: at Anjengo dated 17th: Ins^{t}: and to the Generall and Council of Suratt of Ditto date inclosing copy of a Letter received from the Governour and council of Negapatam. 20TH:

Dispatchd ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam, to the Chief and Council of Vizagapatam and to the President and Council of Bengall, all dated y^{s}: day. 21

Dispatchd ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}: David dated this day. 24

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[26TH] Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated 2d: Instant advising of a bill of Exchange drawn on this Presidency for 5,000 Rupees Madras, payable to the Honble: President.

FRIDAY 27TH: ATT A CONSULTATION EXTRAORDRY:

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQR: PRESIDENT & GOVERNR:
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THOMS: MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Whereas the Commissioners for the trying of Persons for Pyracyes, Fellonyes, and Robberys committed on the high seas, mett the 18th: Instant, and sett upon the Tryall of Edward Bawgus, and Joseph LeBaume both which were found guilty of the fact charged on them, the latter making a full confession th[ere]of, and declaring that he opened the Chest of trea[sure] and tooke out part of the money by the instigation and perswasion of Edward Bawgus, whose guilt was confirmed by many corroborating circumstances besides the slender defence he made for himself, and it was not onely the opinion of all the Commissioners, but likewise all that heard the Tryall, that 'twas next to impossible for LeBaume to be guilty and Bawgus innocent, so that two dayes after their conviction the Prisoners requesting the Governour that the Ministers might come to them, each of their own perswation to prepare them for their execution, which was readily granted, so that Padre Michael Cheif of the Portuguez Church visseted LeBaume, to whom he confessed his guilt of the crime for which he was condemned, but renounc'd all that he had charged upon Mr: Bawgus, declaring that he did itt without his knowledge, or privity, which the Padre acquainted the Govr: withall, who looked upon this as a design and artifice of the Padres to save Bawgus for some consideration, or other agreed on between them, so that the Governour ordered that before the Padre went again to LeBaume, that he should have pen, Inck, and Paper given him by the Marshall to put in writing what he had to say relating to Mr: Bawgus, who wrote the Paper, as entered after this consultation, and after swore to the truth thereof, before our two English Ministers, who have signed itt, which Paper the Governour delivered to Mr: Thomas Marshall President of the Court, who on the Instant summoned the Commissioners, and acquainted them therewith, when they signed the Warrant for executing LeBaume as this day, when the Govr: summoned the Commissioners to impart to them his opinion, which was that the Frenchman LaBaume was wrought upon by the Padress to clear Bawgus, which he was very desirous of finding out, for that in other matters they having so great influence upon dying men, so as to make them say what they please, it may some time or other hazard the wellfare of the Place, so that he proposed to the Council the repreeving of the Frenchman in hopes thereby to discover the Artifice of the Padress, but w[ith]all that the Frenchman be carryed to the place of Execution, which was accordingly done, whether he was attended by his Priest, where have performed his devotion, and taken leave of Preist, he then going up the lather, when the [afore]said Paper was againe showed, and read to him in French by Mr: Poirier a French Protestant, who was ordered to do the same, to whom he [declared] upon the word of a dying man was the truth, after which Capt: Seaton produced repreeve to the Provoss Marshall, who carryed him back to the Prison from whence he came when the aforesaid Capt: Seaton, and Poirier returned to us, & acquaint us with what beforementioned.

THO: PITT. — M: EMPSON.
FRANCIS ELLIS. — THOMS MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. — JOHN MEVERELL.

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I the underwritten Joseph LaBaume, con[fess and] declare on Oath, on the holy Evangelist, and [on] the part I expect as a Christian in Paradice, that Mr: Bawgus Englishman is inocent of the theft of Three thousand Pagodas, which was committed in the Shallop on her passage between Fort St: George and Coudelore, and that itt was I that tooke the three sacks of Pagodas one night when he was sleeping, without his having perceived itt, and that I never communicated anything of this matter to him, having alwayes kept the said sacks of Pagodas on my bed, without saying any thing to him protesting that all that, which I declared att the Tryall contrary to this was for noe other reason then to save my Life, alwayes with a design [to] discharge and declare as I now do, the said Mr: Bawgus inocent of that robbery, Protesting that there is no other motive then the fear of God, and his Judgements that obliges me to make the present declaration. For the rest I humbly beseech my Lord ye: Governr: to have regard [to the] humble confession which I make of my [folly] to have mercy on me, & grant me my life, th[at I] may demand pardon of God, and repent of [my s]ins, assuring of new that all that is [confessed] in this present Paper is the truth itt selfe, and that I close it with the same Oath on the same Evangelist, and that I will support, and maintain the same to the last moment of my life, so God be my aid, done at Madrass the second December S. N. [1702.]

J. La Baume.

Fort St: George.

This confession of Joseph La Baumes was sworne to by the said Joseph la Baume upon the holy Evangelist this 23d: day of Novemr: 1702 before us

George Lewis, James Wendy } Clerici

I declare allso upon Oath upon the holy Evangelist, that Mr: Villain a Frenchman is innocent of what I accused him, and that it was he that furnish't me with a file, nor was In [side] his house the two dayes that I was hid, [dated] at Madrass, the same day and year as above.

J. La Baume.

Att a Consultation

December. Thursday 3rd

Present.

Thomas Pitt Esqr: President and Govr:
Thomas Wright
Matt. Empson Thomas Marshall
John Meverell.

Ponnagette Narzo &cs: Tobacco, and Beetle farmers pay[es into] the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash, Six hundred Pagodas on that account. [Ordered] that one Thousand Pagodas be paid Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

The 2d: past month itt was ordered that the Warehousekeeper should contract with Mootemar for five hundred Candy of redwood, att Two Pags: and a quarter ℔Candy, and the Company wanting more of that commodity for the Kentilage of their shipping, ordered that the Warehousekeeper do contract with Nino the Carpenter, and Tagga for Three Hundred Candy more at Two, and a quarter Pags: ℔Candy, advancing money to them as they shall call for it.

The President reads his Account of the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash for the month of October last Ballance being Pags: 29955·31·1 and payes into Cash Six Pags: being what short pay'd by Mr: Wigmore, for a bill of Exchange on the Rt: H: Company.

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Mr: Thomas Wright Warehousekeeper reads his Warehouse Account for the month of October last.

Mr: Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Accounts Sea Customs for the month of Septemr and October last.

To Custom on Goods imported & exported ...	Pags:	830:	22: 34
To Custom on Graine	„	180:	16: 15
To Anchorage	„	60:	— —
To Tonnage	„	45:	30: —
	Pags:	1116:	32: 49

October.

To Custome on Goods imported and exported this month	Pags:	1125:	3: 14
To Custom on Graine	„	15:	4: 80
To Anchorage	„	25:	18: —
	Pags:	1165:	25: 94

Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of September last, Vizt:

Charges Garrison	Pags:	1268:	21
Do. Cattle	„	47:	13
Do. Extraordinary	„	12:	4
Do. Dyett	„	409:	28
Do. Generall...	„	395:	22
Silk Wormes	„	5:	18
Bengall Presidency	„	25:	—
Fortification & repairs	„	88:	17
	Pags:	2252:	33

Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam, dated 2d: November now read, advising of a Bill of Exchange drawn on this Presidency for Five thousand Madrass Rupees, payable to the Honble: Thomas Pitt, Esqr: which [rupees] is ordered to be paid by the Warehousekeeper.

Wee having agreed with [Nabob] Dowed Cawn to pay him Twenty five thousand Rupees, when he had fullfilled the terms then agreed on, which accordingly is done, and has now sent Persons to demand the money, which is ordered to be paid.

Having delivered one of the Chests of Gold brought by the Colchester markt B in the Mint, and ordered the Assaymasters to Essay the same, who report that they find the Ingot N°: 34, much worse then Invoice, so that we ordered itt to be brought before the Governour & Council, and cutt off two ounces, one of which is ordered to be sent the Company on the first ship, with the Assaymasters report of the same, and the other to lye sealed up in the Companys Cash chest.

Capt: Warlinghooff who came out some yeares past on the Sedgwicks expedition, who ever since has been a great charge to the Company to no purpose, who the Company in their last Letter have given us leave to discharge from their service wch: we acquainted him with, upon which he Petitioned that he might have a Certificate for wt: Sallary due to him, and leave to go to Europe on a Dutch Ship, the former we granted, but refused the other, for that as he came out on one of Rt: Honble: Companys Ships, he must likewise returne, and accordingly the same is ordered.

Ordered that the Warehousekeeper value the Paddy att the market price delivered out to the Paymastr: Steward &cs: for the expence of the Garrison.

Ordered that John de Almadia, and Francis Mendis Topasses, be Entertain'd Souldiers in this Garrison and Francis Andrews of the Gunroome Crew.

THO: PITT. THOMS: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVEERELL.
M: EMPSON.

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ATT A CONSULTATION — SATURDAY 5TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R : PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
THOMAS WRIGHT
MATTHEW EMPSON — THO : MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

The Merchants having brought into the Am[...] of near all of what has been advanced to them [in] their last Contract, and to enable them to make a speedy preparations of Goods for the January Ships, It's agreed that the President payes them Thirty Thousand Pagodas.

The President payes to the Warehousekeepe^r : Ten thousand three Hundred and five Rup^s : being what received from the Buxee for a Bill of Exchange given him on the Agent and Council in Persia, as agreed on the 11th : of last month.

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas be paid M^r : Thomas Marshall Paymaster for defraying charges Garrison.

THO : PITT.
THO : WRIGHT.
M : EMPSON.
THOM^S : MARSHALL.
JOHN MEVERELL.

Received ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t : David dated 3^d : Instant. — 7TH

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter to y^e : Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dat^d : 7th : Ins^t : — 8

Received a Generall Letter from the Cheife, and Council of Metchlepatam dated 27th : Novem^r : last. — 10

Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamars Generall Letters to y^e : Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^t : David & to the Cheife & Council of Metchlepat^m : both dated this day.

ATT A CONSULTATION — THURSDAY 17TH

Present

THOMAS PITT ESQ^R : PRESIDENT & GOVERNOUR
FRANCIS ELLIS — THOMAS WRIGHT
MATT : EMPSON — THOMAS MARSHALL
JOHN MEVERELL.

Gruapau &c^a : Arrac Farmer payes into the R^t : Honble : Companys Cash Three Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

Thomas Pitt Esqr : Mintmaster payes into the R^t : Honble : Companys Cash sixteen Thousand [three] Hundred Pagodas in part of the Gold coined in [the] mint received from England ℔ ship Colchester.

Thomas Pitt Esqr : President read his Account of the R^t : Honble : Companys Cash for the month of November last Ballance Pag^s : 34,106 : 31 : 1.

M^r : Matthew Empson Sea Customer reads his Sea Custome Account for the month of November last Viz^t :

To Custom on Goods imported and Exported this month } Pa : 1,185 : 34 : [4]

and payes into the R^t : Honble : Companys Cash Fiveteen Hundred Pagodas on that Account.

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Mr: Thomas Marshall Paymaster reads his Paymasters Account for the month of October last, Vizt.

Charges Garrison	Pa:	1,201:	8:—
Charges Cattle	„	34:	18:—
Silk Wormes	„	4:	33:—
Charges Merchandize	„	—	: 6:—
Charges Dyett	„	273:	32:—
Charges Generall	„	371:	28:—
Charges Extraordinary	„	2:	13:—
Factors Provisions	„	18:	—:—
West Coast	„	674:	26:—
Fortification and repairs	„	85:	33:—
	Pags:	2,667:	12:—

Ordered that One Thousand Pagodas be paid him to defray Charges Garrison.

Thomas Pitt Esqr: payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash One Hundred and five Pagodas for half a yeares Wine Licence ending the 25th: Sepr: last.

Mr: John Meverell Land Customer reads his Land Custom Account for the months of October and November, Vizt:

October—			
Choultry Custom	Pags:	141:	9: 60
Rubie broakers	„	9:	0: 18
Town broakers	„	3:	2: 16
Registring Slaves	„	0:	16: 0
	Pags:	153:	28: 14
November—			
Choultry Custom	Pags:	113:	6: 44
Rubie Broakers	„	48:	19: 64
Town Broakers	„	4:	30: 21
Registring Slaves	„	0:	24: 0
	Pags:	167:	8: 49

and payes into the Rt: Honble: Companys Cash [. . .] Hundred thirty eight Pagodas on Account [Land] Customs.

Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort St: David dated 3d: December advising of a Bill of Exchange drawn on us for 275 Pags: payable to John Domingo, which is ordered to be complyed with, and from the Cheif and Council of Metchlepatam dated 27th: November last all now read.

Mr: Joseph Hiller Provissionall Storekeeper reads his storekeepers Account for the month of October, and November, and pays into the Honble: Companys Cash Three Hundred Pagodas on Account Stores sold in his time, & farther payes Two Hundred eighty five Pagodas, and [. . .] fanams in part of the Ballance of Mr: Da[niel] Dubois late storekeepers Account.

We having some reason to be jealouse of the troubles from the Government, 'tis ordered that 400 ps: of Moores formerly ordered to be [delivered] out to the Painters, be deferred to be settled and that they be putt to Washing.

Moodillapilla Vinketadree Cheif Conocoply in the Warehouse, being lately dead, by wch: means that employ is vacant, which is a great [Place] of trust, and the Company having ordered the Conocoplyes who are intrusted with their Es[tate] shall give Security for their integrity, the President proposes Tonnapau for that Employ of whose ability, and integrity he has had a great experience, besides offers good security which has induced us to establish him in his Employ.

THO: PITT. M: EMPSON.
FRANCIS ELLIS. THOMs: MARSHALL.
THO: WRIGHT. JOHN MEVERELL.

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Received ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}: David dated 15th: Instant. 19TH

Ship John Martine Pedro Joas Noquedah arrived here from Pettipollee loaded with firewood. 20TH

The Buxee and Avaldar of S^{t}: Thoma having often times sent to the Governour to know when he should be at leasure; that they may come and vissett him: did this afternoone make him a Vissett, when the Governour presented the Buxee with 15 yards scarlett, 2 swords, 1 looking Glass, 1 Chest Rosewater and to the Phousdar & his two sons 14 yards Scarlet, 1 looking glass, 1 sword, with all w^{ch}: they seemed to be well satisfyed, and about 5 a clock they returned to S^{t}: Thoma. 21

This day sloop Expedition arrived in this road when came ashore M^{r}: John Davis who had formerly been surgeon of Bencoolen, who acquainted us that he came from thence, but [he] delivering a Paper to the Governour as E[ntered] in this days Diary, by which 'twas discover[ed] that the aforesaid Davis, and William Gor[don] had run away thence with the sloop, whose [. . .] they had about. [. . .] Ca. Pepper on board, most[ly] all of which being dammaged, they sold part thereof Att Atcheen, the Governour asking Doctor Davis what enduced them to do [such] villainous [. . .] Action, who pretended he had received great [hardships] and injustice from Governour [. . .] he could bear with, to which the Governour gave little Creditt to, so committed him Prisoner to the main Guard, and sent a foile of Muskateers on board for William Gordon, who confesses he came away at the instigation of the aforesaid Davis, wh[o] was committed to the Custody of the Marshall and the Tryall of them deferred till wee hear from York Fort.

The occasion of my leaving Bencoolen.

Having served the R^{t}: Honble: Company att Bencoolen with Generall satisfaction to all (that were not prejudiced against me) for two years during which time I seldome enjoy'd my health or any of those priviledges the Honble: Company allowes their servants, but on the contrary was ingratefully treated, and insulted over, I often sollicited my discharge, particularly w^{n}: the John and Mary arrived, who had two surgeons on board, and a ship from Battavia which had a surgeon Passenger who all seeming willing to supply my Place, they discharged me the Companys Service, but denyed me leave to come to Fort S^{t}: George, or to go to Bengall in the Battavia Ship, I Petitioned and was rejected [I] remonstrated the injustice they did me, in detaining me [. . .] and laught att, they told me they would hamper me, send me to Europe when they thought fitt, or make me stay as long the Governour stayed, after the ships was sailed I received severall affronts, which throw me into a deep mallancholly, increased my illness, and hurryed me on to attempt any means to gain my health and freedome from them [or] loose my life. The sloop lying in the road and having delivered all her Pepper, to about two boats Loads, which with her Kentilage might serve to Ballast her hither, I resolved to make my escape hither in her, which I have done in a short time, had she not pr[oved] extreamly leaky, having above three foot water, her Pumps bad, and choakd up with Pepper, being forced to bail in hard gales; the masts so defective that a Knife might be thrust into the body of it, our water was so scan't that we could not have more than a Pint a man for twenty four hours. These considerations with the variableness of y^{e}: wind att the suns crossing the equater, forced us to put for Atcheen, which with much difficulty we fetchd, and found them engaged in Warr, Plundering, burning &c^{a}: I could not get any place to dry the Pepper securely in, and that it lay rotti[ng] in the Hold. M^{r}: Delt[. . .] upon my request [. . . .] of itt, [. . .]seen how much dammaged it was [. . .] no more, then what is indorsed on the bill of Lading. The remainder after I had dryed it, have brought hither. The Gold I received for what was sold, I paid to M^{r}: Bennet, not beleiving itt safe in so crazy a Vessell. I got her repaired by two Europe Carpenters, and she has proved beyond all Expectation.

[21st] ——*FORT ST. GEORGE, DECEMBER 1702*——

The following order, was signed by the Governour and Council Viz^{t}:

The 17th: Instant I had the accompanying Bill of Exchange presented from Fort S^{t}: David, but as yet no advice arrived, but considering itt is for the Merchants I think it convenient to pay it immediately. Fort S^{t}: George 19th: December 1702.

Thomas Pitt.	Matt: Empson.
Francis Ellis.	Thomas Marshall.
Thomas Wright.	John Meverell.

Sunca Rama presses very hard for the money paid the Nabob, of which there remaines due 14,695 Rupees, and tells me that they shall come into very great trouble, and disgrace if they do[n't] immediately pay it, and there being no Rupees procureable but at such rates the shroffs please[d] [to be] delivered [. . .] night the Essaymaster five [. . .] rupees, for them to try the weight and matt, and to compute how they would come out at 15$\frac{3}{4}$ for silver, who have reported this morning that itt will produce three hundred fifty five, and halfe S^{t}: Thoma Rupees for 100 Pagodas, which at present Sunca Rama will not consent to, so till we can [ad]just that matter, I think itt convenient the Warehousekeeper delivers him five thousand five hundred oz. standard [. . .] and if possible in Duckatoons, thô the whole comes to three Hundred ounces more, which may be adjusted afterwards.

Thomas Pitt.	Matt: Empson.
Francis Ellis.	Thomas Marshall.
Thomas Wright.	John Meverell.

Fort S^{t}: George 19th: December 1702.

23 The 23rd: of May last was made an Act of Council for the Paymaster to get ready [bea]vor Hatts, and Coats for the Portuguez officers, and Lieutenants and Ensigns of the Garrisons, for the good services in our late troubles, which the Paymaster having gott ready, the Governour did this day [. . .] when he [. . .].

The following order was signed by the Govern^{r}: and Council Viz^{t}:

I am of opinion that the Pepper now on board sloop Expedition, be forewith unloaden, & that the Warehousekeeper be ordered to do the same, to prevent farther damage by it's lying on board.

Fort S^{t}: George 23^{d}: December 1702.

Thomas Pitt.	Matt: Empson.
Francis Ellis.	Thomas Marshall.
Thomas Wright.	John Meverell.

25th Dispatch'd ℔ Pattamar a Generall Letter to the Deputy Governour, and Council of Fort S^{t}: David, dated 24th: Instant.

27 Received ℔ Pattamars a Generall Letter from the Deputy Governour and Council of Fort S^{t}: David, dated 22^{d}: Instant.

29 The following order was signed by the Govern^{r}: and Council.

Chola Chitte Factor to the Companys Merch^{t}: att Fort S^{t}: David, having three dayes agoe presented a Bill for Ten thousand Pagodas payable to himself and drawn by the Deputy Governour and Council there of which the accompany-[ing] Letter advices thereof. I am of opinion that it be forewith [. . .] prevent any delay of the Merchants bringing out their Goods.

Thomas Pitt.	[Matt: Empson.]
[Francis Ellis.]	[Thomas Marshall.]
[Thomas Wright.]	[John Meverell.]

30th Received ℔ Boat a Generall Letter from the Cheif and Council of Vizagapatam dated [. . .] Instant.

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